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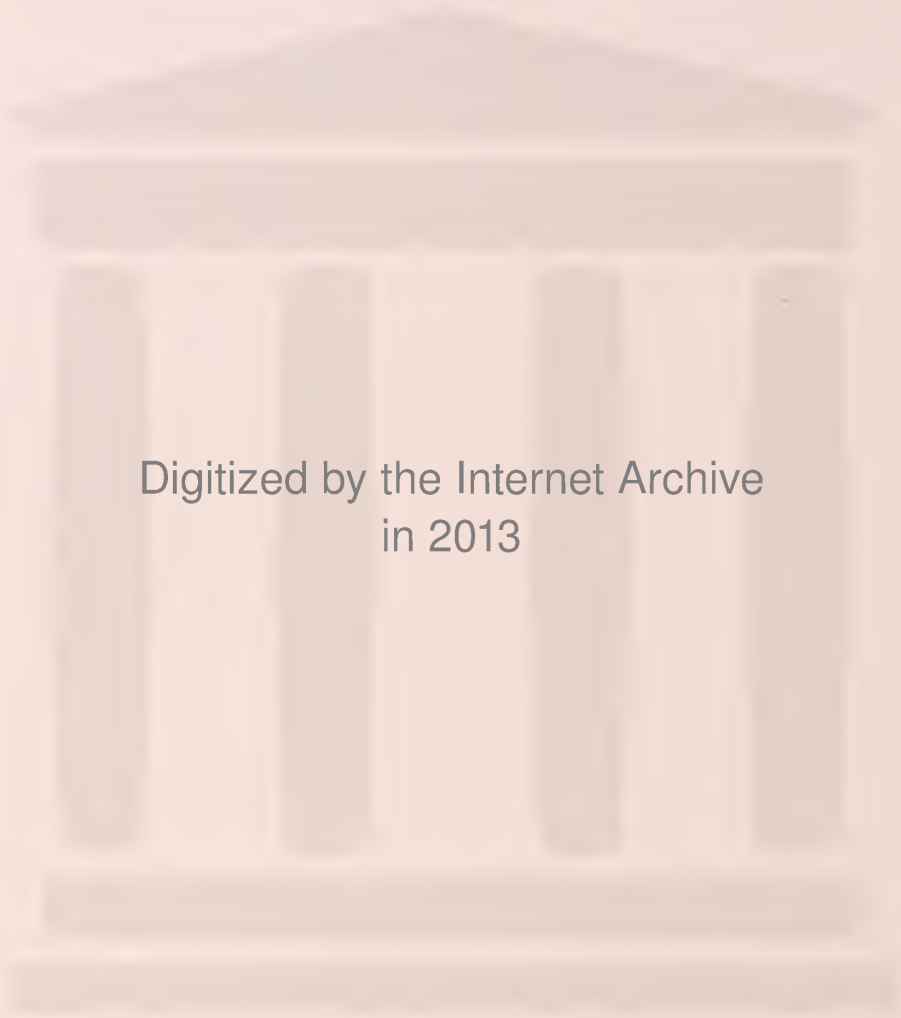
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Principal

TO MISS MARY C. GAVITTE,

who, to many of us, has been a stimulating and understanding teacher, a wise counselor, and a sympathetic friend, we dedicate our year book, as an expression of our deep gratitude for the impress she has made on our hearts and minds, and as a salute to her vibrant and indomitable spirit.

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THE CLASS POEM

As we, the class of Forty-nine, march down the well-worn walk,
Blinking tears and stifling sighs, our thoughts too deep for talk,
We glance at friends, both warm and true, we never more shall see,
Whispering a silent "Thank you" for our years of joy with thee.
The teachers, too, have earned our thanks from deep within our heart.
The door of life is opening wide; today we must depart.

Our echoing steps are far behind; we've reached the branching ways,
One to joy, another wealth, a third to pride and praise.
We'll each take one straight to the end with wisdom as our guide,
And as we strive to reach our goal, by our motto we'll abide.
"He conquers who has conquered self" is our determined cry.
With shining faith and hopeful hearts we leave you, dear Searles High.

—CHRISTINA PALESE

19 CLASS SONG 49

Words and Music by Joan M. Lacasse

When class-mates come to-geth-er at this part-ing of the ways,
The fut-ure comes to meet us as we're stand-ing here to-day,
With faith and cou-rage so in-spired with high i-deals so true,
'Tis then we stop to rem-in-isce on all our yes-ter days.
With doubts and fears we face it as we ask, "Is there a way?"
To live and hope and trust and work, we face a life that's new.
Fond mem-o-ries of loy-al friends of teach-ings and i- deals, Will
But then we hark and lis-ten while our mot-to comes to mind, "Be
And as we cross that thres-hold may our hearts, both yours and mine, Be
e-ver lin-ger with us e-ven when the twi-light steals.
con-quers all who con-quers self, our goal we're sure to find.
e-ver faith-ful, good and true, dear class of For-ty nine.
crescendo

Third Row: J. Hogarth, J. Pleshaw, J. Verfaillie, L. Hanson, R. Garner, F. Sjostrom, C. Pollard, H. Ogden, A. Melnicki, C. Day, J. Berwick, B Langille.

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THE TOWER STAFF

THE Year Book Staff this year has worked untiringly to make "The Tower" as successful as it has been in the past. We sincerely hope that our efforts will be rewarded by everyone's complete satisfaction with the results. We wish to express our gratitude and appreciation to all those who so willingly devoted their time in assisting us.

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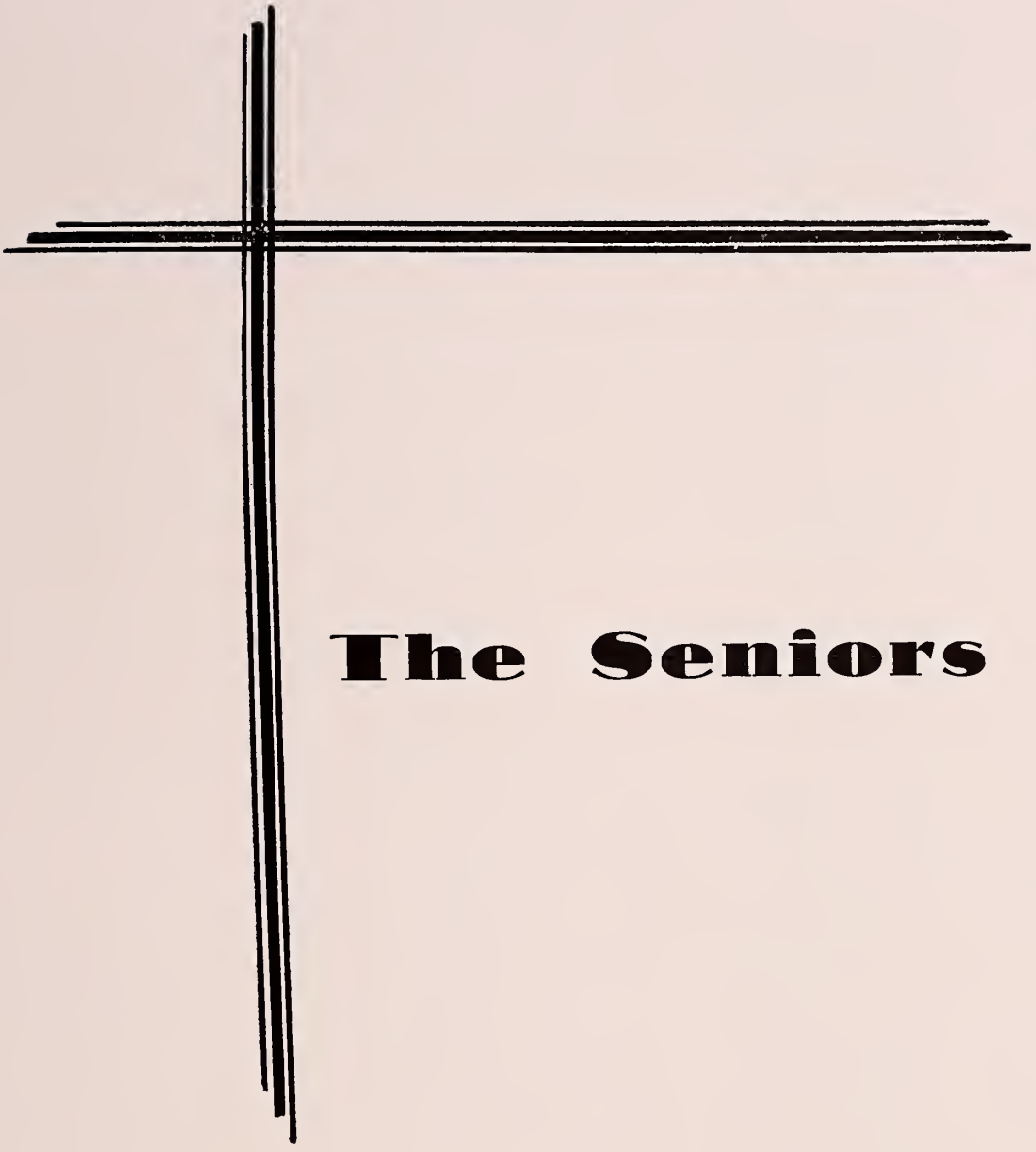


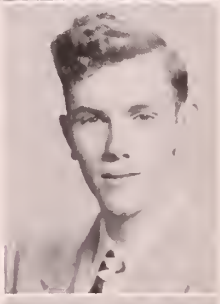
The Seniors

MURIEL FLORENCE ARCHAMBAULT

"Witty, Lively and full of fun"

Basketball 2, 3, 4
Girls' A.A. 2, 3, 4
Bowling 3
Softball 3, 4

"Mitzi" has many friends and her future is bound to be a success because of her natural facility to win the friendship and respect of all with whom she associates. Her happy manner and fine school spirit have made her an asset to our class.



ROBERT ARNFIELD

"Happy go-lucky"

Bob seems to have not a care in the world. He's one of those pleasant good-natured boys who can not only make a joke but take one. His fine sense of humor has acquired him many friends.

JAMES WRAY ATKINSON

"Just pleasure and laughter,
That's all that he's after"

Various Committees

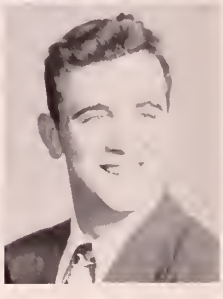
Jim is one of the best-liked fellows at M.H.S. Everyone finds him easy to get along with. Mischievous and fun-loving, Jim is sure to spread happiness wherever he goes. Good luck, Jim.

HAROLD AZNOIAN

"Laugh and the world laughs with you"

Band 2, 3
Year Book Staff

A friendly smile and a fun-loving personality characterize Harold. He is always prepared to give a cheery remark to brighten up many of our classes. His energetic spirit, ready wit, and likeable personality will certainly aid him in whatever career he may choose to undertake.

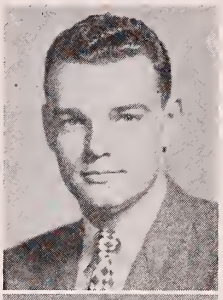


WALTER RAYMOND BAHAN

"Youth is full of sports"

Basketball 2, 3, 4
Baseball 3
Football 2, 3
Track 2
Cadet Officer 4
Senior Play 4
Student Council 3, 4
Various Committees

Wally is a great sports enthusiast. He plays all sports and does well in them. An active member of our class, Wally attends all school affairs. Good luck to our future chiropractor.

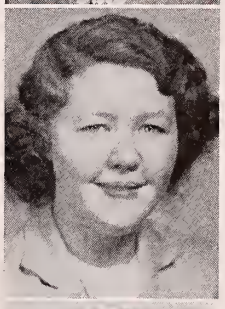


DONALD ASHTON BAXTER

"Handsome is as handsome does"

Band 2, 3, 4
Football 3, 4
Student Council 4
Track 2
Various Committees

Being one of the most handsome fellows in our class, Don is the idol of many girls. For being the "Most Outstanding Football Player, he won the Haldane Trophy. Don wants to be a farmer, and will make a good one, too. Good luck, Don.

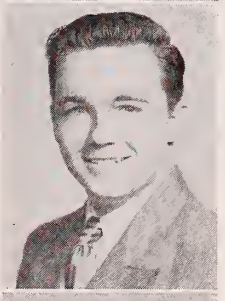


CLAIRE FRANCES BILAPKA

"With a smile for everyone"

Girls' A.A. 2, 3

Claire can always be found wherever there is fun and laughter. Her cheery disposition will undoubtedly aid her in the future, and bring her to success.

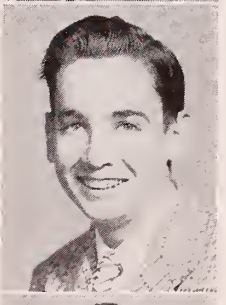


PETER E. BELL, JR.

"Silence is golden"

Picture Committee 4

Quiet and unassuming, Peter is one of our less conspicuous seniors. His quiet, business-like manner will take him far in life.

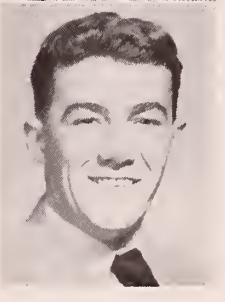


RAYMOND HERBERT BENNETT

"Liked by all who know him"

Year Book Staff

Ray is a very friendly person. He has a pleasing personality and a winning smile which has won him many friends.



L. KENNETH BERNARD

"For he's a jolly good fellow"

Class President 2, 3
Football 3
Cadet Officer 4
Ring Committee 3
Basketball 2, 3
Track 2, 3
Baseball 4
Various Committees

Ken or "Mr. Personality" is a wonderful fellow. He possesses a great sense of humor which makes him popular with everyone. Ken has been an asset to our class, and we'll always remember him. Good luck, Ken.

MARILYN BERNDTSON

"She's always cheerful company"

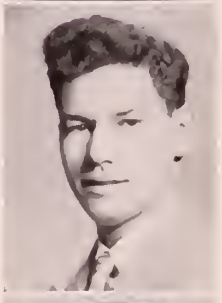
Marilyn's cheerfulness has won her many friends. With her sense of humor, personality, and ability, she is sure to be a success.

JEAN ALICE BERWICK

"Stay as sweet as you are"

Bowling 3, 4
Softball 3
Girls' A.A. 3
Various Committees
Y-Teens 2, 3
Year Book Staff 4
Nominating Committee 2, 3, 4

Jean is always laughing and joking. She has enlivened many a classroom with her cheerfulness and hilarity. Lots of luck, Jean.



JOHN FREDERICK BERWICK

"A sport at all times"

Football 2, 3, 4
Baseball 2, 3, 4
Vice President 2, 3, 4
Nominating Committee 2, 3, 4
Basketball 2
Ring Committee 3
Various Committees

Jack is a fellow you can call a good all-round sport. His interest in school activities and his willingness to help have made him popular among his school friends.

ELEANOR BERNADETTE BONACCORSI

"A sparkling personality"

Girls' A.A. 2, 3, 4
Bowling 3

Eleanor has the natural ability to win the respect of all her friends. With her genial disposition and friendly smile, Eleanor is bound to be a success.

ANGELO F. BONANNO, JR.

"A good natured, all around fellow"

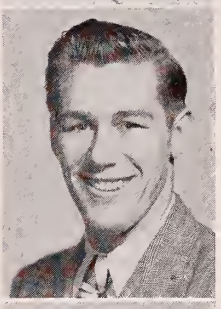
"Andy" is a very friendly person. He makes acquaintances easily and enjoys good clean fun. Lots of luck, "Andy."

LOIS MAE BOWER

"Light of heart, gay of spirits"

Girls' A.A. 2, 4
Ring Committee 3
Y-Teens 3, 4

Jolly carefree, light-hearted—that's Lois. Unlike so many of us, she can laugh off any catastrophe. She will accomplish her desires, though, because she has the qualities for success. Don't let anything dampen your spirits, Lois.

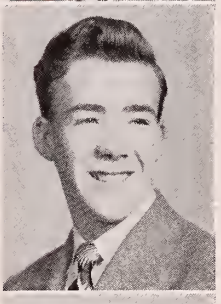


JOSEPH EDWARD BRADLEY, JR.

"A merry prankster"

Basketball 2
Track 2, 3
Football 2, 3; Captain 4
Senior Play 4
Cadet Captain 4
Various Committees

Joe is a great comedian who always keeps his classmates amused. Although Joe has been concerned more with jesting than with studying, he's the type that will succeed in later life. Best wishes for success, Joe.



RONALD ALLAN BRAMHALL

"Where to find his equal would be hard to tell"

Band 2, 3, 4
Orchestra 2, 3, 4

We all know what a good friend "Ronnie" is. His musical ability has been spotlighted by performances in the band. We're glad you're in the class of '49 and wish you the best of luck in your future life.

JUNE ROSE BRYANT

"She is carefree and gay every day"

Basketball 3, 4
Softball 3, 4
Y-Teens 4
Girls' A.A. 2, 3, 4

June's carefree laugh and bright disposition indicate that she is an unusually light-hearted girl. Her fun-loving nature has brightened up many a classroom. Keep smiling and the world will smile with you.

BARBARA ANN BUCK

"With a touch of gaiety about her"

Blue and White 3
Bowling 3
Cheerleader 2, 3
Various Committees
Girls' A.A. 2, 3, 4
Y-Teens 2, 3, 4
Senior Play 4

Barb, also known as "Bucky," possesses a radiant smile which makes everyone know that she is a happy-go-lucky lass with lots of pep. Besides being a wonderful cheerleader, she is an accomplished singer. Good luck in the future, Barb.

JOAN BARBARA BUDRON

"A merry smile, a cheery hello"

Girls' A.A. 2, 3, 4 Bowling 3

Joan is an exceptionally friendly person which accounts for her popularity. Joan just bubbles over with personality. Good luck, Joan, you deserve the best.

STELLA AGNES BUSTA

"Petite and peppy"

Girls' A.A. 2, 3

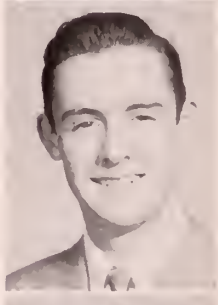
Stella is good-natured, friendly and well-liked by all. She is very sociable and has a host of friends. She seems to be quiet but she certainly provides her share of the fun. Best of luck, Stella; we know you will succeed in your chosen career.

RUTH CLAIRE CARSON

"A friend worth knowing and having"

Basketball 2 Girls' A.A. 2, 3, 4
Glee Club 3

Ruth's warm and friendly manner makes her a favorite with her classmates. Her cheerful disposition, together with her helpful ways, makes her a friend worth having. Ruth has all the necessary qualities for a very fine future.

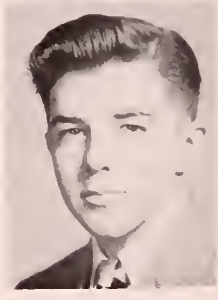


ARTHUR EDWARD CARTER

"Success is won by honest toil"

Band 2, 3, 4

Arthur is an A-1 fellow. The combination of good looks, intelligence and personality makes "Eddie" a person worth knowing. Good luck to a swell fellow.



RICHARD GRANT CATTEAU

Easy is as easy does"

Football 3

Dick is as carefree as a summer breeze. He leaves an impression that is likeable and lasting. He may stir up a little mischief in classes, but it certainly would be dull without him. Never change your ways, Dick, and you will go a long way in life.

BEVERLY JUNE CEDERGREN

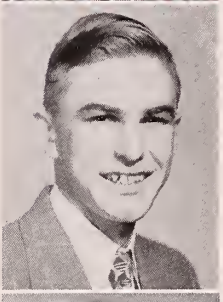
"We called her the angel in white"

A swish of white starched skirts, a toss of a blond head, thus we envisage Bev. That's right, she intends to train for nursing, and considering her cool, unruffled nature and contagious smile, we envy her future patients.

NORMA SANDRA CHAMPEY

"There's no substitute for you"

Norma is one of our very pleasant seniors. She has an amiable disposition and is always willing to be of assistance. Her cheerfulness and winning ways will help her in her nursing career.

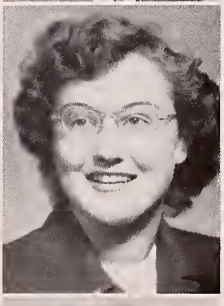


ROBERT CROSS CHASE, JR.

"A friend of thoughtful character"

Band 2, 3, 4

Bob is a true friend to all those that know him. His amicable disposition and willingness to work will carry him a long way.



CAROLYN MARY CIPOLLA

"A winning way, a pleasant smile,
Dressed so neat, and quite in style"

Girls' A.A. 2 Y-Teens 2, 3 President 4
Band 3, 4

If friendships last forever, we will never forget Cay for merry companionship and school spirit. Because she is understanding and thoughtful, we are certain "Dame Fortune" will take care of Cay.

PATRICIA ANN CLARKE

"Hair of a maiden's prayer"

Y-Teens 2, 3 Treasurer 4 Bowling 3
Girls' A.A. 2, 3, 4 Ring Committee 3
Senior Play 4 Various Committees

From her lovely crop of red, wavy hair to her sparkling smile, Pat is to be admired. Her witty remarks add much to any conversation in which she takes part. Go on making people happy forever, Pat.

SANTINA RITA COCO

"It is tranquil people who accomplish much"

Girls' A A. 2, 3

Santina is one of the girls who is not too quiet and not too noisy. She is just nice in every way—helpful, friendly and amiable. She is also full of ambition, which is proved by her cooperation in many activities. Stay as you are, Santina; you are sure to succeed.

AUDREY CAROL CONNAL

"Begin each day with smiling cheer"

Y-Teens 2, 3, 4 Senior Play 4
Various Committees

As a rule, Audrey enjoys everything that happens around her, and all her friends are continually laughing with her. The way she took the lead in the senior play shows that she has acting ability. We hope your life will always be a happy one, Audrey.

CAROLYN ANN COX

"Stay your likeable self"

Blue and White 4 Senior Play 4
Girls' A.A. 2, 3, 4 Year Book Staff 4
Y-Teens 2, 3, 4 Various Committees

Carolyn is a sociable little miss. Being exceptionally good-natured, Carolyn is attracted to everyone. "Cal" is a conscientious student, and is rated among the best. Good luck, "Cal."

CAROLYN JOANNA DAY

"Sparkle, sincerety, and style"

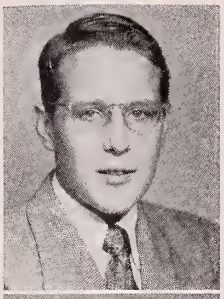
Senor Play 4 Bowling 3
Year Book Staff 4 Y-Teens 2, 3, 4
Girls' A.A. 2, 3, 4 Various Committees
Nominating Committee 4 Red Cross Committee 4
Blue and White 3 Editor-in-Chief 4

An extraordinary combination of intelligence and vivacious personality has endowed Carolyn with ample popularity. A striking wardrobe, a sense of humor, and sincere thoughtfulness mark this attractive miss. Simply retain your charm, Cal, and all your dreams will materialize.

VIRGINIA M. DeBURRA

"Tacitura but talented"

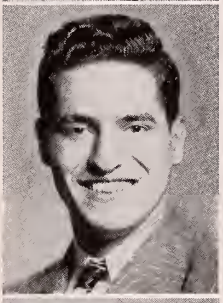
Virginia's lovely brown wavy hair has often aroused the envy of her classmates. Beneath her quiet mien is hidden a contagious giggle and unusual musical talent. May her pretty smile and sweet disposition lighten the future.



WILLIAM DENNIS

"A willing worker always"

A quiet and reserved manner have accompanied Bill's diligent and successful study in the commercial course. Though he is not a "ladies' man," Bill's likeable character has won many friends. Lots of luck to the boy with the pick-up truck!

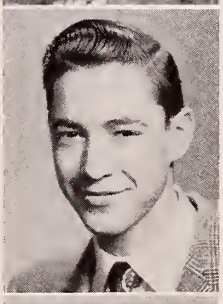


PHILIP DILAVORE, 3rd

"The man with a million assets"

Cadet Lieutenant 4
Senior Play 4
Orchestra 2, 3, 4
Blue and White Staff 3
Track 2, 3, 4
Football 2
Ring Committee 3
Various Committees

Phil is not only a "Jack of all trades," but he masters them all. His musical talent is demonstrated by his lovely violin renditions, and his wit has brightened countless classes. Because he is always ready to share responsibility with a broad smile, he is certain to succeed. The best of everything to you, "Flip!"

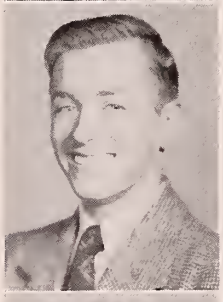


RALPH R. DIODATI

"A flash of color, and a whir of tires,
There goes the man we all admire"

Color Bearer 3

A handsome appearance, a genial smile and a flashy car identify Ralph Neatness and intelligence supplement his winning personality to promise success. May you reach the top, "Dio."



NEAL E. DOBSON

"Silence is deceiving"

Cadet Major 4

Neal is the lad who has proved that much can be accomplished with few words. A time-consuming drug store job never dimmed his love of fun, and his willingness to cooperate has rendered him well-liked by many. May the path to prosperity be easily followed by our outstanding cadet major.

ELISABETH A. DONOVAN

"With always a smile as she goes past,
What a wonderful friend is this charming lass"

Girls' A.A. 4
Basketball 3, 4
Various Committees

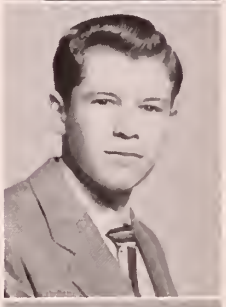
Brimming over with mischief, Bette is one of those friendly girls whom everyone knows through her friendly attitude. Bette loves sports, and does double-duty as participant and fan. Versatile, ambitious, and fun-loving, Bette deserves only the best. May your skies always be as sunny as your disposition, Bette.

MARY FRANCES DONOVAN

"Tops on everyone's list"

Softball 3, 4 — Girls' A.A. 4
Basketball 2, 3; Co-captain 4

Clever hands and agile feet characterize Mary as she flashes down the basketball court. We shall always remember the irresistible sparkle in her eyes, and the habit she has of always brightening the day by smiling. Here's to a grand co-captain and a fine co-worker!



JOHN TYLER DOUGLAS

"Aim high, and you're sure to win success"

Basketball 2, 3; Captain 4 — Baseball 2, 3
Ring Committee 3 — Nominating Committee 4
Cadet Adjutant 4 — Various Committees

On or off the basketball court, Ty is a straight-shooter. Ty is quiet and unassuming, and these characteristics have won him a host of friends. Always willing to work for his class, Ty is usually found in the midst of a group working to put over a project. Keep your eye on your goal, Ty, and may your aim in life, as it has in basketball, find the mark!

ERWIN OTTO DUPUIS

"With his impish laugh and friendly grin,
Erwin, a merry friend has been"

There is mischief lurking in Erwin's eyes—that fact can't be denied. One of our quiet, dependable students, Erwin has been a valuable asset to his class. Everyone admires his ability to take a joke, and that ability is an admirable trait. If you remember, as you have in the past, that a smile goes further than a frown, success will be yours, Erwin.

GLENN FRANCIS DYSON

"Quiet but dependable . . . truly a fine friend"

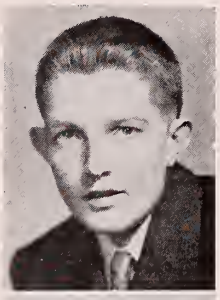
Football 2, 3, 4 — Band 2, 3, 4
Various Committees

Glenn is one of the boys who has helped to make our wonderful band all that it is. He loves fun, but he is conscientious about his work. Well-liked by all who know him, Glenn has been a sincere friend who, I am sure, will attain his goal.

GEORGE DAVID FARRIS

"Silence is golden"

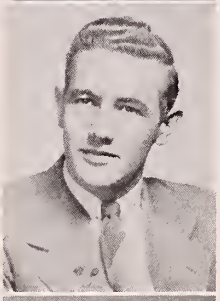
George is a rather quiet boy; however, he is always willing to help his classmates. He is also very industrious, and likes to get his work in on time. Best of luck to George, Al's inseparable buddy!



ARTHUR A. FIELDHOUSE

"Pleasure first . . . let work take care of itself"

Carefree and easy-going is "Mousie." His agreeable manner and jolly air are known to all of us in his home-room. May you attain whatever you desire in life, Arthur.

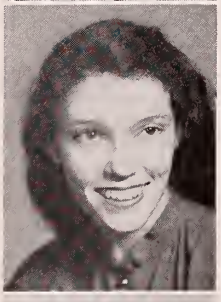


ROLAND P. V. FURMAN

"With a song in his heart"

Band 2, 3, 4 Basketball 2, 3

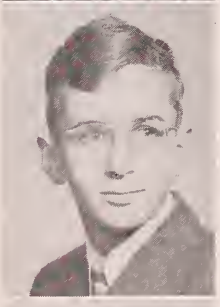
Roland is not only a popular member of the senior class, but he is also one of its most celebrated musicians. I'm sure you've all heard him at our school parties. Success in whatever you do, "Moe."



MAUREEN V. GAGNE

Quiet, but efficient

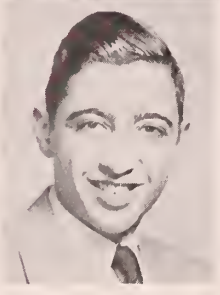
Maureen came to Searles High in her junior year, and a pleasant addition she was. She is one of our quiet lasses, and has acquired many friends since she came here. We admire you, Maureen, and we wish you lots of luck in everything you do.



A. ROBERT GAMMONS

"We like you for your genial air,
Your artistic talent is really rare"

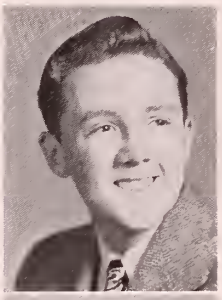
Bob is a rather unassuming fellow, but he always has a pleasant "hello" for all his friends. He is one of the most talented artists at M.H.S. He was certainly a valuable member of our decorating committees. Here's to a brilliant future, Bob.



ALBERT GEORGE GANEM

"He may be quiet—but look again"

Here is the other half of the Farris-Ganem duo. Though he never has much to say, he thrives on gaiety and fun. We're sure that you'll succeed in any enterprise, Al.

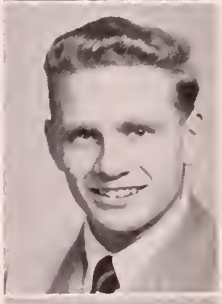


ROBERT SIMPSON GARNER

"He isn't very noisy, nor is he very shy,
He has a winning way, and a twinkle in his eye"

Year Book Staff 4

Everyone was sorry to see likable Bob leave for Japan, during his sophomore year, to be with his parents. It was a grand surprise to have Bob back for his last year in high school. A very neat dresser, Bob will be remembered for his beautiful sweaters that made people single him out in a crowd. It has been a pleasure to know this friendly, versatile boy. May the future hold the realization of all your dreams and ambitions, Bob.



JAMES S. GILL

"Jim is ready, off goes the gun,
The tape is broken, the race is won"

Track 2, 3; Captain 4 — Basketball 2
Football 4 — Band 2, 3, 4

This curly-haired chap probably will be remembered by most of us '49ers as the talented track star and captain. Those who know him well will also think of his amusing puns, loud laugh, and his friendly manner. Stay the way you are, Jim. You're one good sport.

JAMES J. GRAHAM

"Now here is a boy who is on the beam,
To most of the gals, he's considered a dream"

Basketball 2, 3 — Senior Play 4
Nominating Committee 4 — Various Committees
Cadet Captain 4

What a pleasure it is to know Jimmy, one of the most sociable, fun-loving boys at M.H.S. His motto of life seems to be "pleasure before work." Full of school spirit and boundless enthusiasm for all sports, carefree and peppy, I rather think "live-wire" is the term to apply to his vibrant personality.. That infectious grin has won many a heart of the fair sex. Good luck and good times I see in the future for you, Jim.

SALLY C. GIUFFRIDA

"Petite and charming, clothes so neat,
A winning smile, she's sure all-reet"

Girls' AA. 2, 3 — Red Cross Committee

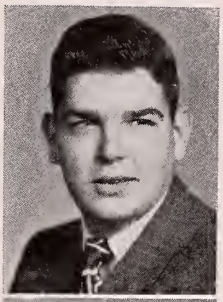
Sally, the gal with clothes, always knows the latest in fashion. You need only ask her many friends to find out that she is a carefree little miss who is fond of fun and gaiety. Her sunny disposition and engaging smile are two of her finest assets. Here's success to you, Sal.

MARTHA HAGOPIAN

"We like your friendly, pleasant air,
Your quiet manner, your shiny hair"

Girls' A.A. 2 — Sewing 2

A pleasant "hello" and a big smile greet you when Martha approaches. She is the lucky owner of beautiful raven brack hair. She seems quiet, but she loves a good time and usually has it. May all your days be merry and bright, Martha.



GEORGE WARREN HAMBLET

"People have more fun than anybody"

Track 2

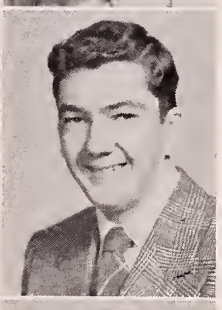
George is a happy-go-lucky fellow with a carefree philosophy about life. He is always ready to lend a helping hand. His generous nature is sure to help him obtain and keep true friends. Keep on laughing, "Hammy."

LOIS E. HANSON

"So sociable, so helpful, a loyal friend,
Success will be hers with this winning blend"

Band 2, 3, 4
Blue and White Staff 4
Nominating Committee 4
Y-Teens 3; Vice President 4
Year Book Staff 4
Ring Committee 3
Red Cross Committee 4
Various Committees

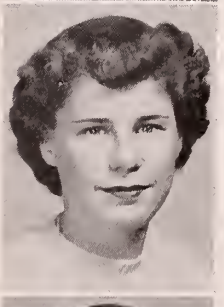
Lois, with her gracious manner and sociable nature, is one of the best-liked members of the class of "49." Never a shirker, she is ready, willing, and able to do any task. A fine musician- fun-loving, possessing lots of school spirit, she is indeed a charming miss. Never change, Lo!



FRANK P. HENNESSEY

"Carefree yet capable"

Frank is an easy-going type of fellow, but where there is life and excitement, he is likely to be in the middle of it. For these reasons, he is a familiar figure in our school life. Good luck, Frankie.



MARGARET JANE HILL

"To find a more genuine personality
is a mighty hard task"

Majorette 2, 3, 4
Basketball 2
Blue and White Staff 3
Ring Committee 3
Nominating Committee 4
Girls' A.A. 2, 3, 4
Softball 3
Y-Teens 2, 3, 4
Bowling 3, 4
Various Committees

Peggy is a girl who faces life with a cheerful attitude. Her friends are many because of her natural facility in winning the friendship and respect of all with whom she associates.

JOHN C. HOELZEL

"Personality, brains, and mischievous air,
A swell fellow like "Hic" is really rare"

Student Council 2, 3; President 4
Year Book Staff 4
Nominating Committee 2, 3, 4
Ring Committee 3
Various Committees

Jack, or "Hic," as he is called by his many friends, needs no introduction to the fellows and gals at M.H.S. He has an "I love life" manner, a happy-go-lucky personality, and brains, all at the same time. That smile that turns many a feminine head, Jacky. He possesses fine school spirit and has proved himself to be a capable leader as a Student Council member for three years. Best of luck, Hic—you can't keep a good man down.

JEAN E. HOGARTH

"I love the life I lead"

Girls' A.A. 2, 3, 4
Y-Teens 2, 3, 4
Basketball 2, 3, 4
Senior Play Committee
Nominating Committee 2
Yeark Book Staff 4
Blue and White Staff 4
Various Committees
Bowling 3, 4
Softball 3, 4

A cheery disposition and a contagious spirit of friendliness can mean only one person—our own little red-headed gal, Jean. She is one of the most popular and most fun-loving seniors. Don't change, Jean.

MARY HOLT

"Friendly, true and considerate,
To know this girl is a pleasant fate"

Girls' A.A. 2, 3, 4
Basketball 2, 3
Senior Play 4
Glee Club 2, 3

Mary is one of those rare girls who aren't quiet and yet are never too noisy. She has made friends and we all know that she will succeed. The best of luck, Mary.

SHIRLEY MAE HURRELL

"We searched and searched 'Till at last we found,
A red head who was with no temper endowed"

Girls' A A. 2, 3, 4
Y-Teens 2, 3, 4
Glee Club 2
Various Committees

Shirley's red hair matches her sparkling personality. She has been a help to our class and a constant rooter at all our athletic games. Stay the way you are, Shirley, and you'll surely gain success.

ALAN F. INGLE

"Laugh and the world laughs with you"

Captain Cadets 4

Alan is a popular member of our class of "49." His friendly personality and eagerness to help out have made him liked by all. Alan is especially known for his neat appearance, which has won him many admirers. Best of luck, "Al," to a swell fellow.

ROSEMARY D. ISSELIN

"She's the silver lining in our dark cloud,
She's one of the class of whom we are proud"

Girls' A.A. 2, 3, 4
Softball 3
Y-Teens 2, 3, 4
Various Committees

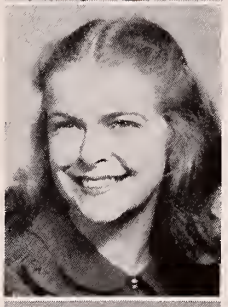
Rosemary's sparkling dark eyes and raven black hair are the envy of many gals. Being able to take a joke and likewise cause many laughs, Rosemary will be remembered as one of the most sociable and most popular girls of the class. Best of luck in your modeling career, Rosemary!

NELLIE M. JACOBCHUK

"A winning way, a pleasant smile,
Dressed so neat, and quite in style"

Girls' A.A. 2, 3, 4
Basketball 2, 3
Bowling Team 4
Senior Play Committee
Y-Teens 4
Softball 3

"Tall, dark-haired and full of fun," are the words that describe Nellie. If we had Searles High Models, Nellie would cartainly be one, because she is always dressed neatly in the latest fashion. Good luck, in whatever you do, Nellie!

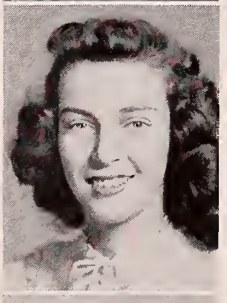


JANICE AUDREY JACOBSON

She's pretty to walk with,
And witty to talk with"

Girls' A.A. 2, 3, 4
Basketball 3
Y-Teens 4
Glee Club 2

Everyone will long remember Janice for her lovely blond hair and friendly, cheerful attitude. Her happy manner and fine school spirit are two outstanding characteristics. May success be yours, Janice!

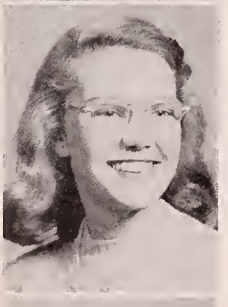


MARILYN RUTH JACOBSON

"A pleasant face, a cheerful heart"

Girls' A.A. 2, 3, 4
Basketball 2, 3
Nominating Committee
Y-Teens 4
Glee Club 2
Various Committees

Marilyn's friendly manner, school spirit, and cheery disposition have won her a host of friends. She is always equipped with a smile or joke. Never lose your wonderful personality, Marilyn.



JEANNE E. JOHNSON

"There is no greater virtue than cheerfulness"

Secretary 1, 2, 3
Blue and White 2, 3, 4
Orchestra 2
Y-Teens 3, 4
Ring Committee 3
Basketball 3; Mgr. 4
Girls' A.A. 2, 3, 4
Senior Play
Year Book Staff

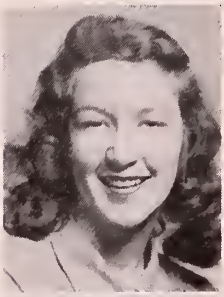
Jeanne, gay and light-hearted, takes things as they come. She has been very active in just about every school activity. By the way, where do you get all your pep, Jeanne?

BARBARA A. JUKINS

"This blond, petite miss, with eyes of blue
is liked by all for her friendliness true"

Girls' A.A. 2, 3
Senior Play
Y-Teens 2, 3, 4
Various Committees

Bab's continuous laugh will never be forgotten by her friends at M.H.S. Her musical talent and fun-loving ways have combined to make a fine friend. A good Commercial student, Babs is sure to be a good success in her chosen field.

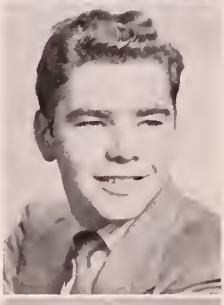


BARBARA ANN KEEFE

"Happy and gay, she goes on her way"

Girls' A.A. 2, 3, 4 — Softball 3
Bowling 3, 4 — Student Council 2, 3, 4
Y-Teens 2, 3, 4 — Various Committees

"Barb" is a girl who has a smile for everyone. Laughing her way through high school, she has won scores of friends, and is equally popular with both girls and boys. Stay as you are, Barb; you're tops!



ANTHONY KHENTIGAN, JR.

"A man of few words is he"

Tony is an unassuming, quiet, and easy-going fellow. He is very well liked by all his classmates. In the short time he has been with us, he has made many friends. We all know his life will be a success. Good luck, Tony.

DONALD P. KILEY

"A good sport"

Basketball 3, 4 — Track 2, 3, 4
Various Committees

Handsome Don is a happy-go-lucky fellow who is well appreciated by the opposite sex. Whenever there's a a practical joke in the offing, you may be sure that Don has something to do with it. May you always remain the same, Don.

JOAN M. LACASSE

"Quiet, and sweet, thoughtful and neat"

Blue and White 4 — Band 2, 3, 4
Orchestra 2, 3, 4

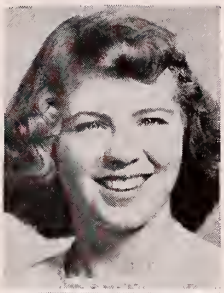
Joan is a quiet girl whose appealing personality makes her a wonderful person to know. She is serious when the occasion demands but likes her share of fun, too. Her contribution to the orchestra and band has been outstanding. Good luck, Joan.

BARBARA E. LANGILLE

"To have a friend is to be one"

Year Book Staff 4 — Y-Teens 2, 3
Band 2, 3, 4 — Basketball 2, 3
Girls' A.A. 2, 3, 4 — Various Committees

Barbara's contagious spirit of friendliness is a wonderful asset. She will always be remembered for her true sportsmanship and likable nature. M.H.S. will lose one of its best majorettes when she graduates. We are glad to have known you, Barb, and wish you luck.

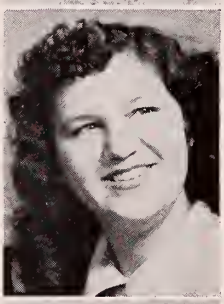


ETHEL LAWRENCE

"A little girl with a great big smile,
To make life happy all the while"

Girls' A.A. 2, 3

Ethel's sweet disposition and thoughtfulness have combined to present a special package with a keen mind. She's right on the ball for having fun. Stay as you are, Ethel, and many more friends you'll make.

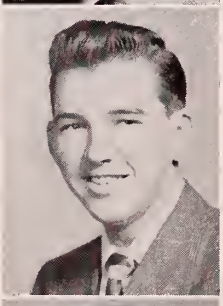


CARMELLA S. LEONE

"Smile and the whole world smiles with you"

Girls' A.A. 2, 3

Carmella's pleasing smile has won its way into all our hearts. She may seem quiet but her friends will tell you that looks deceive. Best of luck, Carmella.

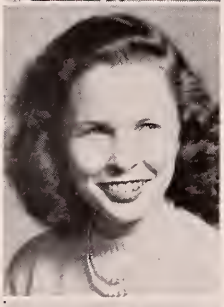


ROBERT E. LISTER

"A light heart lives long"

Basketball 2

Handsome and neat, Bob is known for his jovial manner and his way with the ladies. He always has a cheery smile and a gay word for everyone. Whenever there's any fun to be had, Bob's right in on it. Best of luck to you, Bob.



JEAN E. MACDONALD

"The girl with the golden voice"

Girls' A.A. 2

Jean's golden voice has brightened up school parties and assemblies to no end. Most of the girls are envious not only of her lovely voice, but also of her pleasing personality, and pretty smile, and shining hair. With your wonderful disposition, we're sure you'll go to the top, Jean.

JOHN K. McLEAN, JR.

"With a twinkle in his eye,
He watches life pass gaily by"

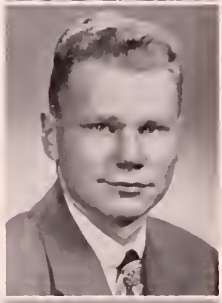
Jack, with his lively personality and humorous laugh, is an all around boy, well-liked by everyone who knows him. Good luck in anything you may choose to do, Jack.

JOYCE DIANNE MAGUIRE

"Lovely to look at, delightful to know,
With a radiant smile and eyes aglow"

Y-Teens 2, 3, 4 — Girls' A.A. 2, 3, 4
Ring Committee 3 — Senior Play
Nominating Committee 2, 3, 4 — Softball 3, 4
Bowling 3, 4 — Picture Committee 4

Joyce needs no introduction to her classmates. Her superb performance in the senior play certainly proved her worth as an actress. Joyce's even disposition and jolly ways have attracted many admirers. Success is sure to come Joyce's way, for she is a conscientious worker. Best of luck to an amiable '49-er.



ARTHUR W. MANN, JR.

"Ready, willing, and able"

First Lieutenant Cadets 4

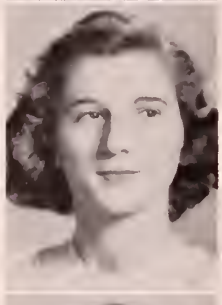
Arthur is a friendly and fun-loving fellow. Wherever there's any excitement, he's likely to be right in the middle of it. His jovial manner and sincere efforts have won him many friends. Loads of success to you, Arthur.

BARBARA A. MARGGRAF

"Quiet and charming"

Girls' A.A. 2, 3, 4 — Senior Play
Bowling, 3, 4 — Y-Teens 2, 3, 4

Barbara is a refined person who is always good natured and sociable. She little realizes how much she brightens life for those around her with her gay, light laugh and warm smile.



DOROTHY LOUISE MASON

"Sincere, and modest, success is for her"

Girls' A.A. 2, 3, 4 — Glee Club 2, 3
Various Committees

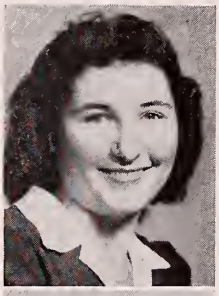
Neat, courteous, and thoughtful, are words that best describe "Dot." She is known throughout the class for her warm and friendly smile. Besides all this, Dot is a good student. With this combination, how could anything but success be in store for her? Keep smiling, Dot, and may good fortune smile back at you.

MARY I. MATHER

"Quiet and sweet, thoughtful and neat"

Glee Club 3 — Year Book Staff 4

Mary is one of our quiet, sincere friends. Her warm smile and neat appearance have made her a very pleasant person to know. Stay as nice as you are, Mary, and may your future be a successful one.

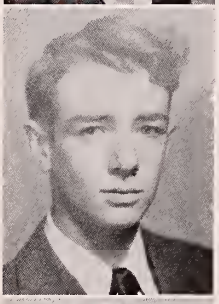


MARGUERITE A. McAVOY

"Always thoughtful of others"

Girls' A.A. 2, 3, 4

Peggy may appear rather quiet, but her friends know well of her love for fun and good times. Her "Hi" for everyone has won her many friends, and her willingness to help others will bring her good fortune. Best of luck to you, Peg!

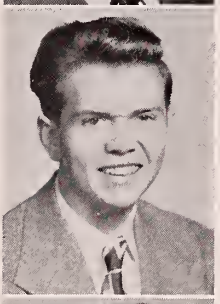


GEORGE J. McDONALD

"As always, a friend"

Various Committees

To outsiders, George appears to be quiet, but his friends know him to be a fun-loving fellow. His friendliness is sure to carry him far on the road to success. Good luck, George.

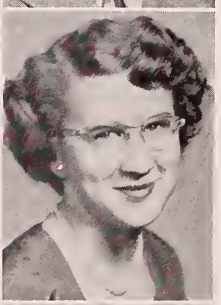


ANDREW S. MELNICKI, JR.

"Success is won by honest toil"

Year Book Staff

"Andy," as he is better known to his friends, is one of those boys who are not too quiet or not too noisy. He has made many friends during his years at M.H.S., and we know he will succeed in whatever he attempts.

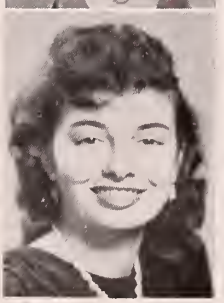


LEONA D. MICHAUD

"Quiet, but full of fun"

Girls' A.A. 3, 4

Leona, who joined us in her junior year, has endeared herself to all. Her reserved manner, courtesy and pleasing smile have won her many friends. You'll reach the top, Leona.



RENA MIRAGLIOTTA

"A touch of deviltry lurks in her eyes"

Girls' A.A. 2

Rena has such a peppy personality that you're never sure what she'll do next. She has been a good student, although she rarely puts study before pleasure. Best of luck to a swell classmate, Rena. You deserve the best.

BARBARA ROSE MOAN

"Witty, lively, and full of fun"

Girls' A.A. 2, 3, 4 — Various Committees
Glee Club 2 — Y-Teens 4

Barbara's smiling way and pleasing disposition have won her many friends. This gal is talkative and quick-witted. Keep your winning ways, Barbara; you're tops.

ELIZABETH ANN MOAN

"Sugar and spice and everything nice"

Class Treasurer 2, 3, 4 — Ring Committee 3
Basketball 2, 3 — Various Committees
Girls' A.A. 2, 3, 4 — Glee Club 2
Y-Teens 4

Betty was the class treasurer for her four happy years in high school. Her personality and pleasant disposition will help her to reach success. Best of luck always, Betty.

ESTELLE Y. MORENCY

"A pleasant smile, a winning way,
Success is sure to come her way"

Estelle is a girl who will succeed in anything that she undertakes. Her friendly disposition has made her popular with all who know her. Good things are in store for you, Estelle.

ANN HARRIET MORGAN

"Sweet and neat, she can't be beat"

Y-Teens 3 — Various Committees
Girls' A.A. 2, 3, 4

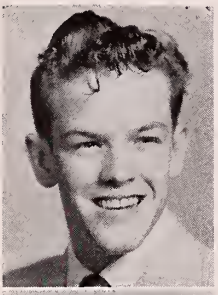
One of those quiet and refined young ladies whom we are proud to have in our class, Ann has won the friendship and respect of many. May you meet success around the first corner.

DONALD C. MULVANITY

"Why worry what tomorrow brings"

Football 2, 3, 4 — Senior Play
Basketball 2 — Cadet Officer 4
Track 2, 3, 4

"Mo" needs no introduction. He is a good sport in every sense, and his enthusiasm in school activities has always influenced others to follow his example. Best of luck in everything, "Mo."

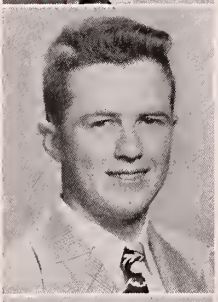


JOHN J. NORWOOD

"And then I was singing"

Band 2, 3 — Entertainment Committees

One of the popular and likable members of our class, Jack possesses a beautiful voice which has already won recognition right here at M.H.S. He is an easy-going fellow whose excellent personality and neat appearance will no doubt make him successful in life.

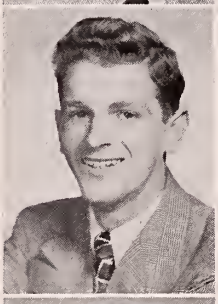


HARRY OGDEN

"Harry Ogden is my name,
Don't you think I'll gain some fame?"

Year Book Staff — Track 4
Various Committees

Harry always has a cheery word and a happy smile. He refuses to worry about anything. He may be seen around town driving a shiny, black Buick. Luck will follow you forever.



MICHAEL OHANIAN

"Whatever the hour, he'll never look sour"

Various Committees

Mike is a regular fellow. He seems to be bothered by nothing; most of us might learn a lesson from his even, well-regulated life Good luck will ride with you always.

CHRISTINA T. PALESE

"Good sense and good nature are never separated"

Girls' A.A. 2, 3, 4 — Glee Club 2, 3
Basketball 3 — Ring Committee 3
Various Committees — Picture Committee 4

Chris is an active girl with an active mind. She is also well-known for her superb piano playing. We wish you all possible success.

IRENE MARY PAQUIN

"Quietly she rises to the top"

Girls' A.A. 3 — Various Committees
Y-Teens 4

Although Irene is a girl of few words, she has a friendly smile to greet you when a smile means the most. May you always keep your pleasing ways.

ANNA MARIE PATTI

"You have an endless supply of energy, Anna"

Girls' A.A. 2, 3, 4 — Senior Play
Blue and White Staff 4 — Various Committees

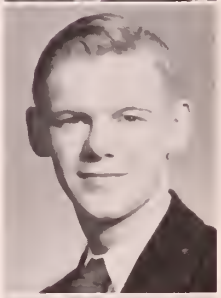
"A streak of maroon speeding through the streets"—that's Anna. She is one of Methuen's best known motorists. Her jolly smile makes everybody feel light-hearted. You are a natural for success, Anna.

LUCILLE I. PERRY

"That smile that we would aspire to"

Girls' A.A. 2, 3 — Y-Teens 3, 4

A happy laugh and a friendly smile—Lucille has both. Her good nature and pleasant ways make her fun to be with. Keep on being yourself, Lucille.



DONALD E. PICKLES

"That eager, knowledge-seeking lad"

Class President 4 — Picture Committee
Various Committees

His amiable nature and boundless enthusiasm have made loads of friends for Don. He manages to keep right on the top scholastically, as well as in all his extra-curricula activities and duties. Success is sure to be your reward, Don.

JOYCE V. PLAYDON

She is fair to see and sweet"

Girls' A.A. 2, 3

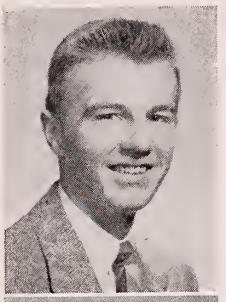
Joyce's sweet smile and cheery personality make her very pleasant company. She likes to sew and has some sharp clothes to prove her talent. Never lose your amiability, Joyce.

JOYCE M. PLESHAW

"Fair to all and never mean"

Girls' A A. 2, 3, 4 — Y-Teens 2, 3; Secretary 4
Bowling 3 — Year Book Staff
Various Committees

Joyce is a perfect example of pep and energy. Her contagious smile and happy nature have earned for her a host of friends. Her willingness to work is another of her many assets. Hang on to all your vitality, Joyce.



CHARLES F. POLLARD

"None but himself can be his parallel"

Baseball 2
Senior Play
Various Committees
Nominating Committee 4
Year Book Staff

There is an irresistible charm surrounding this tall, blond member of our class. His winnng smile and persuasive ways have become known to all. He has succeeded in keeping his marks at a high level, while he has found an abundance of time for pleasure. Never lose your sparkling personality, Chuck. We're all rooting for you.

EILEEN FRANCES POMPHRET

"Liked by all who know her"

Girls' A.A. 2, 3, 4
Basketball 2, 3, 4

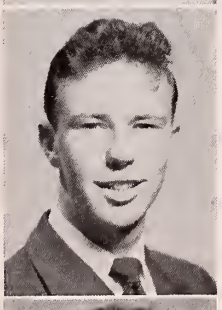
Eileen may be classed as one of the quiet members of our school, but those who know her will tell you that she has a sunny disposition, is a keen companion and good athlete. Loads of luck to you in the future, Eileen.

PATRICIA E. POTVIN

"Quiet and charming"

Glee Club 2, 3

Pat is a quiet, smiling girl. She has gained many friends because of her charming personality. We hope you will always stay the same. Best of luck, Pat.

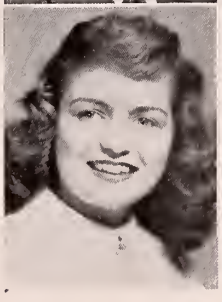


LEON NELSON RANDALL

"Trouble never troubles him"

Track 2, 3, 4
Ring Committee 3
Various Committees

Leon, a brown curly-haired lad with a friendly "Hi" for all, is a good friend, a proved athlete, and a possessor of of a fine disposition. May you never change.



CLAIRE B. RATTE

"Lovely to look at, lovely to dance with"

Girls' A.A. 3, 4
Ring Committee 3
Year Book Staff

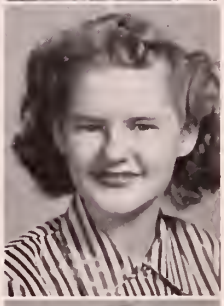
Claire, one of our prettiest seniors, loves to dance. She is always cheerful and peppy, and has a smile for everyone. Lots of luck, Claire.

LOUISE C. RICCI

"Silence is golden"

Girls' A.A. 2, 4

Quiet, reserved and easy-going are words that aptly describe Louise. Her many friends tell us that a better pal cannot be found. Best wishes for success and happiness, Louise.

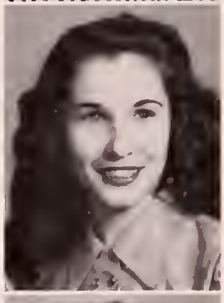


BARBARA ANN ROKES

" A merry giggle and sparkling eyes,
A devilish manner, in spite of her size"

Girls' A.A. 2

Her terrific giggle is really the identifying trait of this cute gal. Her pleasant disposition is as sunny as her curly blond hair. Her many friends are proof of her popularity in and out of school. Best of luck, Barb.



ROSEMARIE S. ROSSI

"She walks in beauty"

Girls' A.A. 3, 4

Presenting one of the prettiest seniors. Many think of her beauty and wavy black hair when her name is mentioned. Her gracious ways will make life pleasant for those about her. May everything you desire be yours.

GERALDINE A. RUSSO

"Sparkling eyes, and full of fun
Provocative glances bring men on the run"

Girls' A.A. 3, 4 — Basketball 2
Bowling 3 — Various Committees

This neat and charming miss certainly needs no introduction. Wherever you find excitement and gaiety, you'll find Gerry. One might call her "sophisticated lady" with her fashionable clothes and extraordinary earrings. The future looks promising in more ways than one—meaning men, as well as ambition.

JEAN CARLYLE RYDER

"Full of ambition, she's sure to succeed,
She has the intelligence that she will need"

Girls' A.A 2, 3, 4 — Bowling 3
Blue and White Staff 4 — Year Book Staff
Senior Play

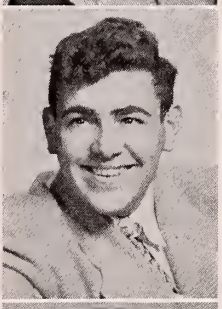
Jean distinguished herself by being picked to be the D.A.R. pilgrim this year. Although one of the quieter members of our class, she is active in all school affairs and a friend to all who know her. I see only a bright future for you, Jean.

FLORENCE MARY SAAB

"Sincere and modest, success is for her"

Girls' A.A. 2

A rather shy and serious member of our class, Florence has shown herself to be co-operative in any undertaking. May you have happiness and good luck wherever you are, for you certainly deserve it.



STANLEY SABA, JR.

"Live today, let tomorrow take care of itself"

Football 4

Stan really showed great ability in football, earning his letter for a wonderful performance on the gridiron. He will always be remembered for the interesting literature he reads before school—namely, funny books! His happy-go-lucky manner numbers him among the best-liked fellows at M.H.S. Good luck, Stan.

AGNES L. SCANDURA

"Kind hearts are the garden,
"Thoughts are the roots"

Girls' A.A. 2, 3 Various Committees

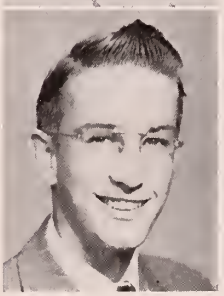
Agnes is kind and thoughtful and her even disposition and pleasant nature have won her many friends. Whatever your ambition, we wish you best of luck, Agnes.

CAROL ANN SCHOLTZ

"May she go through life as easily as she knits a sweater"

Girls' A.A. 2, 3, 4 Girls' Bowling 3, 4
Glee Club 3

Carol, though jolly and full of fun, is also one who takes her studies seriously. As yet, her ambition is unknown, but whatever it may be, we wish you loads of luck, Carol.



BERNARD J. SCHRUENDER

"Happy am I, from care I'm free,
Why aren't they all contented like me?"

Track 2 Football 3
Cadet Officer 4

Bernie, a very likable fellow indeed, is the remaining third of the Saba, MacDonald, Schruender triumvirate. Where one appears, the other two are sure to be close by. Bernie is one of Bachmann's A-1 waiters. Are you a singer, too, Bern? Best of everything to you, Bernie.

JANE CLAIRE SCHWARTZ

"Brown eyes, medium size,
She certainly is a wonderful prize"

Girls' A.A. 2, 3, 4 — Ring Committee 3

Well-liked by all who know her, Jane is one of the gigglers of fifth period study. Nevertheless, she is a good student, and will, we are sure, succeed in whatever she plans to do.

NORMA LOIS SHARP

"Her lovely face and beautiful smile
Win admiring glances all the while"

Class Secretary 4 — Senior Play
Girls' A.A. 2, 3, 4 — Nominating Committee 4
Bowling 3, 4 — Picture Committee
Y-Teens 2, 3, 4 — Year Book Staff

Norma's unusual attractiveness and winning personality have been the source of much envy and admiration. Norma will always have many friends, for who could resist her charms? You'll make a wonderful medical secretary, Norma.

NORMA S. SHEARER

"A person worth knowing"

Girls' A.A. 2, 3 — Glee Club 3
Various Committees

Norma's even temperament and cheerful manner have made her a welcome addition to our class. She has at all times been willing to contribute her help for any work at hand. Our good wishes go to you, Norma, for the happiness which you deserve.

CHARLES ADDISON SHIELDS, JR.

"Never on furtive mischief bent,
He's always on his tasks intent"

Track 3, 4 — Cadet Officer 4
Nominating Committee 2

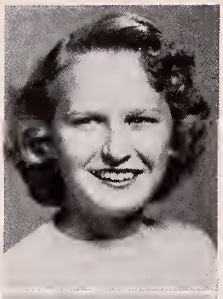
Charlie is reputed as being a calm, self-contained fellow. That may be so, but, nevertheless, he observes a great deal. Being ambitious, he is ready to help in whatever work there is to be done. We hope you are as successful in life as you've been in high school, Charlie.

PHYLLIS A. SHIRTON

"Grace and charm has she"

Girls' A A. 2, 3 — Glee Club 2

Phyllis is a small, pretty, dark-haired girl who really adds a lot to M.H S. Her sparkling personality is never dimmed when she's with her many friends. Blest with all the wonderful assets that make a popular girl, "Phyl" we feel sure, will succeed in her chosen career. Best of luck, Phyllis.

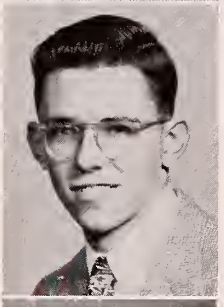


BARBARA C. SHOLIK

"A charming miss who graces our band,
And twirls her baton with a skillful hand"

Majorettes 3, 4 — Girls' A.A. 3, 4

"Barbs," whose twinkling eyes are her trademark, is well-liked by all who know her. Her personality and co-operativeness mark her as one who will go a long way in the world.



EDGAR J. SIDON

"A merry heart maketh a cheerful countenance"

Track 2, 3, 4 — Senior Play

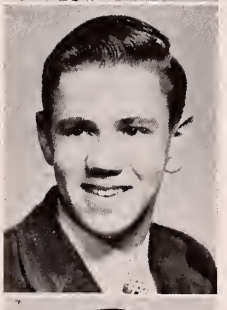
The boy with the sun-tan, Edgar is really one of the most sociable and fun-loving fellows of the '49ers. He has proved to be a valuable cog in the machinery of our track team A good dancer, Ed is always found at the dances having the good time he's bound to have in the future.

EVELYN HELEN SILVEIRA

"A girl who may seem quiet to you
But ask her friends if this is true"

Girls' A.A. 2, 3, 4

A seemingly quiet girl, Evelyn has surprised many of us with her unexpected, humorous remarks, as any of her friends will testify. Pleasant, neat, and co-operative, Evelyn proved herself a true friend. Stay as nice as you are, Evelyn.



FREDERIC L. SJOSTROM, JR.

"Laughter holding both his sides"

Track 2, 3, 4 — Senior Play
Basketball 2, 3 — Year Book Staff
Band 2, 3, 4 — Various Committees

A witty remark, a wry grin, a devil-may-care manner all describe Fred to perfection. An accomplished trumpet player and lover of sports, Fred really enjoys the life he lives. The success of the senior play was largely due to Fred's sensational performance as "Buzz." Keep smiling, Fred, and may the world treat you the same.

JAMES WILLIAM SKILLINGS

"The young man with the horn"

Band 2, 3, 4 — Ring Committee 3
Track 2 — Senior Play
Basketball 2, 3 — Various Committees
Year Book Editor-in-chief

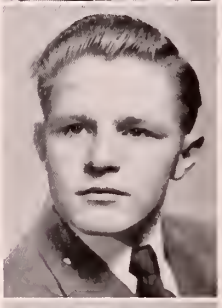
Can you hear that beautiful trumpet? It can be none other than Jimmy Skillings. He has kept us well entertained with it at many of the school parties. One of our most school-spirited boys, Jim can always be called on to lend a helping hand. We hope you make good your ambition to be a dentist. Good luck, "Doc."

JEAN SMITH

"Some thing the world is made for fun and frolic - - And so do I"

Girls' A.A. 2, 3 — Various Committees
Y-Teens 2, 3

Jean is one of our girls who can always be counted on to cheer us up. A serious face is not serious long once Jean is in its presence. Always laughing and gay, she is one of the most popular girls in the class. Your sunny disposition and readiness to help will carry you far, Jean.



RICHARD SMITH

"Always full of fun you bet,
Just the boy you can't forget"

Cadets, Captain 4 — Football 2, 3
Baseball 2, 3, 4 — Various Committees

"Smitty," though small in size, proved himself a terror! A classroom with "Smitty" in it was never, never dull. A wonderful sport, a big smile and loud hello are all characterics of him. We will never forget his inextinguishable vim and vigor. Nothing but the best, Dick.

JOSEPHINE C. SPIDALE

"All that she's after is pleasure and laughter"

Girls' A.A. 2, 3, 4 — Glee Club 2, 3
Various Committees

Josie's infectious laugh is the pride and joy of fourth period study, and her versatility on the mandolin is the envy of all who know her. Good luck, "Jo," we know you will make life gayer wherever you go.

RALPH R. SPIDALE

"Quiet and Considerate"

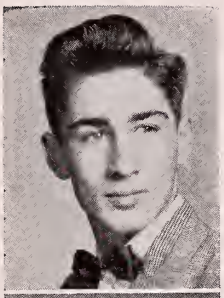
Although Ralph is one of the quiet members of our class, his pleasing smile has won him many friends. His musical talent has been an asset to our class. Best of luck in the future, Ralph.

AUDREY J. SYKES

"Full of fun, with personality plus"

Blue and White 4 — Girls' Bowling 3, 4
Band 2, 3, 4 — Nominating Committee 3, 4
Y-Teens 2, 3, 4 — Senior Play

This young miss, whose smile brightens many a dark day at M H S. plans to take up nursing after graduation. With her cute face and bubbling disposition, we're sure Audrey will have plenty of male patients. Good luck to a wonderful gal.

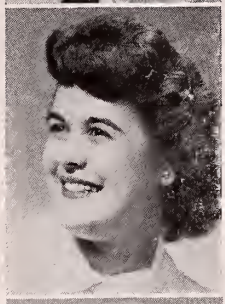


ELI TAKESIAN

"Music hath charms"

Various Committees

Here is a lad who needs no introduction. His impersonations of Al Jolson were greatly appreciated at the class parties. Best of luck in he future, Eli.

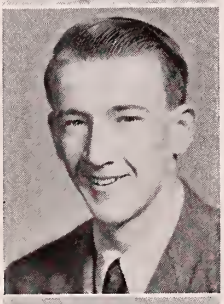


PATRICIA ANN TEARNO

"Alert and happy all the while
Pat's witty remarks brought many a smile"

Salutatorian
Blue and White 3, 4
Y-Teens 2, 3, 4
Glee Club 2, 3
Bowling 3, 4
Senior Play
Year Book Staff
Various Committees

Her gay personality and the ease with which she remained on the honor roll have evoked everyone's high esteem of Pat. Her lovely voice and excellent acting in the Senior Play were highly praised by everyone. Pat's cooperativeness and many abilities are sure to bring her success.

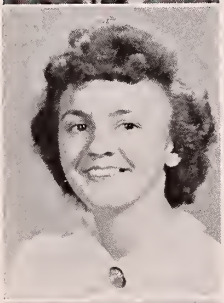


TOM A. THOMSON

"A person worth knowing"

Cadet Quartermaster 4

Tom is the very efficient quartermaster of our Cadet Corps. He does well fitting out the boys; we think he would make a good tailor. All the kidding aside, Tom is a wonderful friend. May success be yours, Tom.



JEANNE ELEANOR TOWNE

"A shout, a laugh, a crowd that's gay
With Jeanne in its center every day"

Basketball 3, 4
Softball 3, 4
Bowling 3, 4
Glee Club 3
Cafeteria 2, 3, 4
Y-Teens 2, 3, 4

Jeanne is a girl who can make anyone laugh. She was a valuable member of the girls' basketball squad and is proficient in most sports. Her loyalty has gained her many friends. Jeanne plans to be a navy nurse. Her friendliness and lively sense of humor are sure to make all her patients happy.

JOAN CLAIRE VERFAILLE

"A winning way, a pleasant smile,
Dressed so neat, and quite in style"

Valedictorian
Girls'A.A. 2, 3, 4
Cheerleader 3, 4
Y-Teens 2, 3, 4
Softball 3
Blue and White 3, 4
Bowling 3
Year Book Staff
Various Committees

There are many things that come to mind when thinking about Joan. Among them are her wonderful cheerleading, her high marks, her gorgeous clothes, her ability with the accordian, and her pleasant disposition. Joan is always where the fun is and is a lover of dancing and all sports. Bet of luck to you, Joan.

CLEMENTINA VIZZINI

"A heart as big as her smile"

This young lady appears to be quiet until she really gets to know you, and then her personality really shines forth "Clem"is planning to be a nurse, and we know she will succeed in whatever she undertakes. Good luck and lots of it to a girl who deserves it.

JUNE ANITA WALKER

"All her drawings amused us much
She truly has an artistic touch"

Girls' A.A. 2, 3

June's artistic talent is envied by all who have watched her draw. Though quiet, June has won many true friends. She is another girl who is planning to be a nurse. Your perseverance will surely be a stepping-stone to success, June.

JOYCE ANN WARD

"This dainty miss led our champion band
While gay crowds cheered them from the stand"

Band 3, 4
Head Majorette 4
Bowling 3, 4
Softball 3
Glee Club 2, 3
Y-Teens 2, 3, 4
Girls' A.A. 2, 3, 4
Various Committees

Beautiful, blond, wavy hair, a petite figure, and neat appearance are three of Joyce's outstanding characteristics. Her witty remarks, delivered without a smile, caused many laughs. Other girls are wont to say of Joyce, "What's she got that I haven't got?"

CONRAD C. WARREN

"Mischief lurks in his eyes"

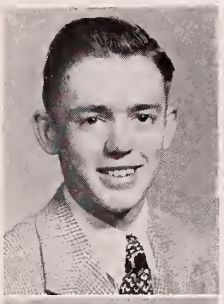
Cadet Officer 4

Connie is a true lover of the out of doors. His favorite sports are hunting and fishing. We have yet to see him in school on opening days of hunting and fishing. He possesses a natural wit, and always has some funny story to tell. With his personality he should go far. Best of luck in everything, Connie.

JAMES HOWARD WATERS

"Life is a jest, and all things show it;
I thought so once, but now I know it"

Who's the merry fellow hurrying along? None other than Jim, one of the gay blades of M.H.S. To find Jim, just head for the Derby, where you can see him surrounded by his harem. You sure have a way with the ladies, Jimmy.



FRANK EDWARD WESTON

"Sing away sorrow, cast away care""

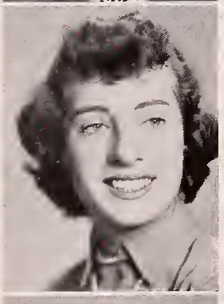
Frank is a happy-go-lucky boy without a care in the world. Nothing bothers him, and he takes things as they come. Though his shyness has extinguished his interest in the fair sex, Frank has earned a large number of pals by his fun-loving nature. Keep joking, Frank.

IDA TROMBLY WHITE

"True to work, word, and friend"

Band 2, 3, 4 Orchestra 2, 3, 4

Ida is one of the mainstays of our band and may also be seen faithfully attending all orchestra rehearsals. This quiet, diligent miss plans to take up church work, and will certainly make a place for herself in the world. Good luck, Ida, and lots of it.

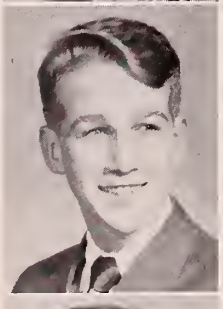


DOROTHY CONSTANCE WILKINS

"Adept at dancing and basketball
This neat miss is well-liked by all"

Girs' A.A. 2, 3, 4 Bowling 3, 4
Basketball 2, 3; Co-capt. 4 Various Committees
Y-Teens 2, 3, 4

As co-captain of our girls' basketball team, Dot made her game an incentive to every player. Her neat, chic appearance attracts many a glance, both male and female. Dot's friendliness and agreeable personality are sure to brighten her career as a nurse as much as they have brightened our high school years.



HERBERT A. WILLIAMSON

"Merrily, merrily, I shall live now"

Basketball Mgr. 2, 3 Baseball Mgr. 2

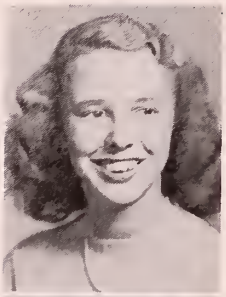
The magnetic attraction at the Community Drug, his boundless pep is one of his greatest attributes. Herb is always around when something lively is going on. Your aim to be a pharmacist is sure to be realized if you can keep up that wonderful personality, Herb.

MARILYN J. WINNING

"Quiet, but full of fun"

Girls' A.A. 2, 3, 4 Glee Club 3

Although she has what appears to be a reserved manner, Marilyn has endeared herself to all. She is claimed to be a real friend because of her fine courtesy, pleasing smile, and class spirit. You'll reach the top, Marilyn.



MARY WRIGLEY

"Big brown eyes and light blond hair
Both Methuen and Punchard found quite fair"

Girls' A A. 2, 3, 4
Cheerleader 3, 4
Y-Teens 2, 4
Basketball 2, 3, 4

Mary caused many a fluttering heart among the boys at Punchard but that fact didn't lessen her loyalty at M.H.S. Her enthusiasm was well displayed as she cheered our teams on to victory. May you always keep that winning smile, Mary.

MARION R. YOUNG

"Happy am I, from care I'm free,
Why aren't they all contented like me?"

Girls' A.A. 2, 3, 4
Senior Play
Y-Teens 3, 4
Bowling 3, 4

There are few who don't know of Marni's dry wit, ready sense of humor, and happy smile. A stylish dresser, Marni makes one of the cutest appearances at M.H.S. Her lovely voice and her resemblance to a famous movie star may lead to an unthought-of career. Lots of luck, Marni.

JOHN O'SULLIVAN

"Speaking of crooners . . ."

Cadet Officer 4
Various Committees
Senior Play

Jack came to M.H.S. in his Junior year and has been a valuable member of our class. He is always willing to help, especially at class parties, where he has given marvelous renditions of popular ballads. We all hope you get to the top, Jack.

FRANK R. POLIZOTTI

"Good humor is the health of the soul"

Band 2, 3

Frank is always ready to bestow his friendly smile on all. He seems to like school, although he's still puzzled about solid geometry. . . .as are a few others. His pleasand manner and genial nature make him easy to get along with. Your amiability will always help you, Frank.

CLARENCE EDWARD RHODES

"A friend tried and proved"

Clarence is favored with many excellent qualities. Chief among these is an unvarying pleasant disposition. Our association with him for four years has been a pleasant one.

J. RONALD ROBICHAUD

"Seclusion"

Ronnie is one of our quietest seniors. His conduct in school makes him a teacher's ideal pupil. With your winning ways, you'll make a success of whatever you do.

GRADUATION ARRANGEMENTS

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GRADUATION HONORS

VALEDICTORIAN	Joan C. Verfaillie
SALUTATORIAN	Patricia A. Tearno

CLASS DAY

IVY ORATION	Lois E. Hanson
CLASS HISTORY	Jean C. Ryder
CLASS SONG	Joan M. Lacasse
CLASS POEM	Christina T. Palese
CLASS PROPHECY	Audrey C. Connal John C. Hoelzel
CLASS WILL	Barbara C. Sholik Arthur E. Carter
PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS	Donald E. Pickles

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

MR. Erickson, Mr. Skillings, members of the faculty, members of the School Committee, parents, relatives, and friends, it gives the senior class much pleasure to welcome you to the Forty-Fifth Class Day Exercises of the Edward F. Searles High School. We sincerely hope that you will enjoy the program that is to follow.

During the difficult but happy years in high school, we have often looked forward to this day. Now that it has arrived, we are dubious as to what the years that follow hold for each one of us; but whatever our endeavor, we know that we will always be guided and inspired by our class motto which says that "He conquers who conquers himself."

CLASS HISTORY

BRIGHT September sunshine beamed upon the laughing groups of girls clad in gay fall dresses, and boys sporting sharp new ties, as they strolled about the esplanade. Soon the buzz of a now very familiar bell cut short all conversations and sent the young people scurrying towards the rooms they were to call "Home" for the school year. There were many new teachers to be met, new friendships to be made, and new fields of interest and learning to be explored within the next three years. We, as sophomores, were taking our first nibble of high school life, and it seemed to agree with us.

One of our first duties as members of the sophomore class—other than following the adventures of our old friend Julius Caesar in Latin class and hunting through swampy places to procure fat green frogs for biology experiments—was to choose our officers for the year. Kenny Bernard was elected president, and Jack Berwick, vice-president. Jeanne Johnson became our secretary, and Betty Moan, our treasurer. Barbara Keefe and Jack Hoelzel were our representatives to the Student Council.

The official hand of welcome was extended to us in November at the Sophomore Reception by Leon Bassett, president of the senior class. This party was a great success, as was our own Sophomore Party in March. The abundance of talent in our own class has always been an asset in planning party programs, and we appreciate the willingness with which our gifted classmates have shared their abilities.

June came more rapidly than we ever dreamed it could. At Senior Chapel two of our members, Joan Verfaillie and Charles Pollard, were the recipients of the D. A. R. Good Citizenship medals, which are given every year to the boy and girl in each class who best fits the definite qualifications for such an award.

Our Junior year was an extremely busy one. We again chose Kenny, Jack, Jeanne and Betty to serve as our officers. Wally Bahan joined Jack and Barbara as our third Student Council representative.

The choice of a class ring was the next important item to be considered. The class was almost evenly divided between a black onyx and a plain gold ring. All discussion was declared void, as the study hall fairly seethed with controversy, and a written ballot was used. Before too long we were the proud possessors of shiny gold rings—our final choice. These rings were the pride and joy of our lives and made us the envy of the sophomores.

We forgot about our struggles with chemistry equations and the rule for the use of the subjunctive in French long enough to call once more on our class talent to provide the entertainment for our Junior Party in January. They rose to the occasion splendidly. Joe Bradley, as master-

of-ceremonies, also helped to keep things rolling at a lively pace. Dancing to "the best bands in the land" followed the program.

Sadness came to our school in February of our junior year. One of our most beloved teachers, Mr. John D. Byrne, had passed away. His impartiality and willingness to help each one of us in his capacity as both teacher and track coach will never be forgotten by those of us who have had the privilege of working under his leadership.

Early in June, at a junior assembly, Carolyn Day was awarded the Washington-Franklin medal for excellence in American history. At Senior Chapel the D. A. R. Good Citizenship medals were given to Jean Ryder and James Skillings. Our class was further honored in having Wally Bahan win first prize of a $100 bond in a contest sponsored by a Lawrence bank for his essay on "What American Art Means to Me."

A long awaited time had come. We were seniors! If our junior year was busy, our senior year was one continuous whirl of activity!

It was time to elect our officers for the last year of our high school career. We chose Don Pickles, president; Jack Berwick, vice-president; Norma Sharp, secretary; and Betty Moan, treasurer. Don Baxter joined Barbara, Jack, and Wally on the Student Council.

The serious illness of one of our teachers, Miss Mary Gavitte, cast the only shadow on our last year. We were sorry that she was not able to share with us this memorable time in our lives, and wish her a complete and rapid recovery.

Our turn to welcome the sophomores had come. The Sophomore Reception was highly enjoyable, as was our own Senior Party in November. Ralph and Josie Spidale certainly made a hit with their guitar and mandolin combination.

Between snatches of "Macbeth" and the French Revolution, twenty-seven of our classmates spent many hours rehearsing for "The Divine Flora," which was presented early in December. Audrey Connal did a superb job as Flora. The other members of the cast must also be given credit. How they could AD LIB!

One of our biggest class undertakings was a magazine drive. Our parents and neighbors will be well stocked with reading matter for four or five years to come as a result of our efforts to defray the expense of our year book.

Even though he tried to discourage us by sending snow, the weather man failed to dampen the spirits of the crowd that attended the annual Military Ball. This colorful event was one of our most outstanding social functions.

A special senior meeting was called early in April. After a period of considerable suspense, the graduation honors were announced. Joan Verfaillie was selected to be valedictorian, and Pat Tearno, to be saluta-

torian. Lois Hanson was chosen to deliver the Ivy Oration. Jean Ryder had earlier been chosen to represent our school in the D. A. R. Good Citizenship Pilgrimage.

Plans were soon being made for the Girls' A.A. Demonstration. An exceptionally large group of girls participated in the roller skating, marching, square and tap dancing, and tumbling. Miss Chadwick and her committee should be proud of the result of their efforts.

We reserved Friday, May 20th for the annual Band Concert and Dance. We certainly can be proud of the excellent job our band does either marching along the football field or performing in a crowded auditorium.

With amazement we realized that the time for our own Senior Prom had come. As always, this event was one of the most prominent and beautiful of our school life. The girls looked like bright spring flowers in their dainty gowns, and the boys seemed unusually handsome in their formal attire.

Now we are participating in our Class Day exercises. We have paused briefly to review the events of the past three years. The time has come when we must look ahead—eagerly, hopefully—ever remembering our conviction that "He conquers who conquers himself."

—Jean C. Ryder

CLASS PROPHECY

BRAMHALL'S DIAMOND BALLROOM

SETTING — 1959

Jack: Pardon me, miss, is this.... why, Audrey, it has been a long time since I've seen you!

Audrey: Jack Hoelzel! Hello! Ten years has been a long time. It's too bad you couldn't have arrived earlier; you just missed the gala opening. Ronny Bramhall just opened his new ballroom. Jack Norwood sang "Beyond the Sea." He is the star of Jean McDonald's new musical "Song of My Heart." They certainly have a beautiful place here.

Jack: Yes, I thought they would never finish building it. Roland Furman did a wonderful job on designing the building with Ralph Diodati drawing the plans. Philip DiLavore and William Dennis managed the construction of the building. Who is the fellow near the microphone?

Audrey: Why that's Jack O'Sullivan. Don't you remember him? Patricia Potvin and Joyce Ward are also part of Jean Lacasse's singing and dancing act. Jack McLean is the dancing instructor.

Jack: Look! the drummer in the band— it's Harold Aznoian. That mob over there is crowding television stars Joan Verfaillie, Joyce Maguire and Virginia DeBurra for their autographs. Didn't Herbert Williamson predict wonderful weather for the occasion?

Audrey: Yes, and there is "Al" Takesian coming out onto the stage. He just finished his latest picture, "The Larry Parks Story."

Jack: I just came in on the Transcontinental Airlines. Mike O'Hanian, Frank Weston and Harry Ogden were the pilots and co-pilots of the plane. Peggy Hill, Mary Donovan, Nellie Jacobchuk, Carolyn Cox and Claire Ratte were air-hostesses. The famous doctors, Robert Garner, Frank Hennessey and Kenneth Bernard with their medical secretaries, Marilyn Jacobson, Anna Patti, Pat Clark, Evelyn Silvera and Norma Sharp were flying cross country to the Doctors' Convention in Methuen. It was a wonderful trip. How did you come?

Audrey: I took a private plane from Bob Lister's Airfield in New York. He has Neal Dobson, Arthur Mann and Anthony Khentigan working for him as mechanics.

Jack: Look! Here's a copy of "Now," Christina Palese's new fashion magazine, with an article by Rosemary Isselin called "The Old Look," with some splendid designs by Gerry Russo and Patricia Tearno. Gerry has her own dress shoppe in town. It's very exclusive—with Ann Morgan and Jane Schwartz as models.

Audrey: Oh! I know where the shoppe is— right next to Ingle and Bahan, the chiropractors. Some of their nurses are Muriel Archambault, Clementina Vizzini, Dot Wilkins, Audrey Sykes and Beverly Cedergren.

Over at the new hospital, June Bryant, Claire Bilapka, Josephine Spidale, Betty Donovan and Joyce Pleshaw are employed as nurses.

Jack: I was reading in Leon Randall's newspaper, "Randall's Review," that the medical missionaries Ida White and June Walker are now in India, and Arthur Fieldhouse is a golf instructor at the new country club. Norma Shearer works for "Lee" as a court reporter. There was also an article about "Cannonball" Tommy Thomson still winning races at Methuen Speedway.

Audrey: I heard the other night that doctors Skillings and Berwick, the painless dentists, and their two secretaries, Barbara Keefe and Barbara Jukins were stopped by State Policeman George Hamblet for speeding. Jack said he wasn't going over ninety. Peggy McAvoy and Marilyn Berndtson are both married, and are very good housekeepers at that.

Jack: I see where Barbara Buck is radio secretary at station WMET and Mary Mather is copywriter for the Warren and Gill Publishing Co.

Audrey: Marion Young has opened her art school and has James Waters, Florence Saab and Ruth Carson working for her as instructors. Why look, there's Maureen Gagne. She owns many beautiful horses, which are located at her Methuen Blue Grass Mansion.

Jack: Yes, and there's Bob Arnfield, the lady killer. He is proprietor of a local jewelry store. He told me that George Farris has become a priest, and Charles Shields, a minister. Bob's store is right next to "Melnicki's Haberdashery." Andy has some of our own classmates working for him. There's Raymond Bennett, Betty Moan and Carol Scholz.

Audrey: I see where Edgar Sidon has bought out Mr. Sears. He has renamed the firm "Sidon and Roebuck." He has Sally Guiffrida, Lois Bower, Eleanor Bonaccorsi, Stella Busta, Santina Coco and Barbara Moan working for him as secretaries. There have been some new teachers employed in our new school. Some of them are Jeanne Johnson, Jean Ryder, Barbara Marggraf and Jimmy Graham.

Jack: Albert Ganem operates his own market and Clarence Rhodes is manager of the local A and P stores. He has Peter Bell working for him as a salesman and Jean Berwick and Carmella Leone as accountants.

Audrey: I heard that government secretary, Leona Michaud is sitting on the President's knee and that Janice Jacobson and Rena Miragliotta are legal secretaries to Don Kiley, the well-known lawyer.

Jack: Over at the Methuen International Laboratory a few of our classmates are working on a new rocket ship which is going to the moon next week. They are engineers Frank Polizotti, Joe Bradley and Donald Pickles, and scientists Chuck Pollard, Glen Dyson, Dick Smith and Fred Sjostrom. Stan Saba and Ralph Spidale are going to drive the rocket in hope of reaching the moon.

Audrey: Look! There's class king Don Baxter, and Donald Mulvanity, Arthur Carter and Angelo Bonnano. They have opened up a large farm in the South; South Methuen, that is. Don and Moe take care of the

dairy stock while Arthur and Angelo take care of the poultry and vegetables. They have Ronald Robichaud working for them as a truck driver.

Jack: I noticed George McDonald and Bernard Schruender are conservation workers in Methuen National Park, and Tyler Douglas is head lumberman up in the woods of Maine.

Audrey: Dot Mason is an established Occupational Therapist, and Joyce Playdon has opened her new flower shop on the other side of town.

Jack: Jean Hogarth just came home from France. She is a secretary in a French shipping company. Bob Chase, the head of Jersey Ice Cream Co., is over there talking with monument dealer Richard Catteau.

Audrey: Yes, and Bob has Eileen Pomphret, Estelle Morency and Agnes Scandura as secretaries. Dick has Shirley Hurrell, Barbara Sholik, Barbara Rokes, Phyllis Shirton, Jean Smith, Joan Budron and Martha Hagopian as secretaries.

Jack: I heard that Jimmy Atkinson still makes the best pork pies in town. Erwin Dupuis is an expert textile chemist.

Audrey: Carolyn Day and Norma Champy are child psychologists and have Lois Hanson, Mary Holt, Rosemarie Rossi and Irene Paquin working for them as secretaries. Carolyn Cipolla, Barbara Langille, Lucille Perry and Marilyn Winning are telephone operators for the Methuen Tel. and Tel.

Jack: Jeanne Towne has opened a lunch room next to the telephone company. All the girls drop in during their lunch hour almost every day. Robert Gammons is Jeanne's business manager.

Audrey: Well it's time to leave. It's been nice seeing you again. Remember to drop in if you are ever out my way.

Jack: O.K. Give my regards to everyone.

Audrey: So long, Jack.

Jack: Goodbye, Audrey.

Audrey Connal

John Hoelzel

IVY ORATION

TRADITION has prompted this graduating class of 1949 to now make a final gesture in the hope of being remembered by the faculty and future pupils of Searles High School. The tender slip of ivy to be planted today will entwine with older, hardier green runners, and will follow their example.

The laws of nature do not grant the ivy the power of choice between good and evil; but we, as human beings, must consider seriously any example by which we shall be guided.

One hundred years ago our forefathers, the 'Forty-niners, were roused by the discovery of gold at John Sutter's sawmill in the valley of Coloma, California. Settlers from every part of the United States deserted ripe crops, shops, and families, to join the mammoth migration toward wealth. The desire to gain a share in the treasure of the gold mines hurried men over the routes of land and sea. The westward movement proved to be profitable for a fortunate few, but in most cases poverty, caused by unharvested crops, and the grief of lonely families were the outcome. As men began their homeward trek, they regretted that selfishness had been allowed to breed wild dreams of opulence.

The numerals of this graduating class have reminded us of that memorable instance just one hundred years ago. The custom of planting the ivy has suggested a comparison.

Nothing can lure the supple tendrils of the ivy to grow in any path different from that of Nature, which wills that cautious green fingers shall test each crevice and protuberance for soundness. Once assured of security, the ivy attaches its runners with suction cups to the firm wall. The strength and energy of the plant are then exerted in the task of fostering new runners and nourishing the old. There is no limit of expansion, nor neglect of past achievement.

These two examples, that of the 'Forty-niners and that of the ivy, are set before us. Which shall we choose as our pattern of life? Shall we, who might be called the namesakes of the original 'Forty-niners, follow in their footsteps to search for sensational power or glory? The value of succumbing to that desire has been proved uncertain. Confidence and poise are far more beneficial than wasteful impatience. Though the shine of ivy leaves is not so lustrous as the brilliance of gold, a life designed from the ivy's pattern of continuous development creates a beautiful tapestry of security and happiness.

The young plant of ivy which we see today has been torn from the ground of its birth. As we leave the home of our education, we, too, share the ivy's fate in being transplanted. Our environment will be altered, and we must adapt ourselves, as the ivy will.

Rich soil awaits the eager shoot.

—Lois E. Hanson

CLASS STATISTICS

Student who has done most for the school	Jeanne Johnson
Prettiest Girl (Queen)	Norma Sharp
Handsomest Boy (King)	Donald Baxter
Most Popular Girl	Joyce Maguire
Most Popular Boy	John Berwick
Most Sociable Girl	Barbara Keefe
Most Sociable Boy	James Atkinson
Most Athletic Girl	Dorothy Wilkins
Most Athletic Boy	John Berwick
Neatest Girl	Joan Verfaillie
Neatest Boy	Alan Ingle
Girl Most Likely to Succeed	Jean Ryder
Boy Most Likely to Succeed	Donald Pickles
Best All-Around Girl	Joyce Maguire
Best All-Around Boy	Kenneth Bernard
Class Sheik	Walter Bahan
Class Baby Girl	Audrey Sykes
Class Baby Boy	Richard Smith
Class Blonde	Barbara Sholik
Class Redhead	Shirley Hurrell
Class Musician	Philip DiLavore
Class Cutie	Audrey Sykes
Class Flirt	Jean Hogarth
Class Gigolo	Walter Bahan
Class Angel	Peter Bell
Class Brute	Joseph Bradley
Class Einstein (Scientist)	Philip DiLavore

Class Ginger Rogers (Dancer)	Barbara Langille
Class Fred Astaire (Dancer)	Robert Lister
Mexican Athlete (Bull-thrower)	Donald Kiley
Class Woman Hater	Andrew Melnicki
Class Man Hater	Ida White
Class Giggler	Barbara Rokes
Class Shark	Kenneth Bernard
Class Dude	John O'Sullivan
Class Peppiest	Jean Hogarth
Class Busiest	Jeanne Johnson
Noisiest Girl	Margaret Hill
Class Loud Speaker	Joseph Bradley
Noisiest Boy	Joseph Bradley
Hardest to Rattle	J. Tyler Douglas
Master of Sarcasm	Frederic Sjostrom
Faculty Pet	Jean Hogarth
Mutt and Jeff	John Berwick and Richard Smith
Class Jester	Richard Smith
Most Courteous	Andrew Melnicki
Perfect Lover	Walter Bahan
Best-Liked Teacher	Mr. Bagnell
Most Optimistic	James Graham
Class Actress	Audrey Connal
Class Actor	Frederic Sjostrom
Class Sleepiest	Robert Arnfield
Most Talkative	Jeanne Johnson
Class Walking Dictionary	Carolyn Day

SOCIAL EVENTS

SOPHOMORE RECEPTION— The Sophomores were welcomed to Searles High School by the seniors at the Sophomore Reception on October 8. General dancing followed the grand march, which was led by Donand Pickles and Marjorie Reilly.

SENIOR PARTY— The seniors held their party on November 4. A delightful entertainment given by talented members of the senior class was the highlight of the evening.

SENIOR PLAY— Our senior play, "The Divine Flora," was presented on December 3. The annual affair was attended by a large audience who applauded the excellent acting of the entire cast.

JUNIOR PARTY— The juniors held their party on January 21. During the evening a short entertainment was presented by members of the junior class.

SOPHOMORE PARTY— The sophomore party was held on the eleventh of February. The evening was enlivened by an entertainment and general dancing.

MILITARY BALL— On March 18, the Methuen High School Cadet Corps presented their 13rd annual Military Ball. The hall was decorated in a Southern mansion effect. The grand march was led by Major Neal Dobson and Jean Hambleton. Tony Brown's orchestra provided the dance music.

GIRLS' A.A.— The Girls' A.A., under the direction of Miss Dorothy Chadwick, was held on May 13. All classes participated in the exhibition, which included dancing, gymnastics, roller skating, and marching.

BAND CONCERT AND DANCE— The Methuen High School Band gave their annual concert on May 27, under the direction of Hal McDonnell. Included in the performance was an exhibition by the majorettes, after which there was general dancing.

SENIOR PROM— The last school function of the season, the senior prom, was held on June 3. Tony Brown's orchestra provided dance music for the colorful event.

Activities

CLASS OFFICERS

Betty Moan, Treas., John Berwick,, V. Pres., Norma Sharp, Sec'y

Donald Pickles, Pres.

Third Row: J. Shay, D. Baxter, D. Ratcliffe, W. Bahan, J. Proctor.
Second Row: R. McAlea, E. Dearden, B. Keefe.
First Row: J. Hoelzel, President.

STUDENT COUNCIL

THE Student Council is a representative group of of students who decide and determine problems that concern high school life. This year the group has discussed and helped settle many problems. The credit for the increase in school spirit can be largely granted to this body. It is expected that representatives of our Council will be sent to participate in a state-wide convention to be held at Fitchburg. There they will get better ideas and discuss problems. Members of the Council are— Seniors: John Hoelzel, president· Walter Bahan, vice-president; Barbara Keefe, secretary; Donald Baxter; Juniors: Dorothy Ratcliffe, Joseph Shay, James Proctor; Sophomores: Elaine Dearden, Raymond McAlea.

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First Row: A. Sykes, A. Patti, J. Hogarth.

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THE ORCHESTRA

UNDER the supervision of Mr. Walter Pearson, the orchestra played pleasing musical selections at the various school functions throughout the year. Their splendid performances between acts of the senior play won them much praise. The members have been faithful in attending rehearsals and have shown enthusiasm in their work. Congratulations are certainly in order for our school orchestra and its skillful instructor, Walter Pearson.

M. H. S. CADET CORPS

THE Methuen High School Cadet Corps has had a very successful 1949 season under the able leadership of Major Neal Dobson. The annual Military Ball was one of the most well attended and colorful events of the school year. The 1949 season was closed with the annual Prize Drill.

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Third Row: J. Bradley, J. Graham, N. Jacobchuk, J. Maguire, A. Connal, E. Sidon, J. Skillings.
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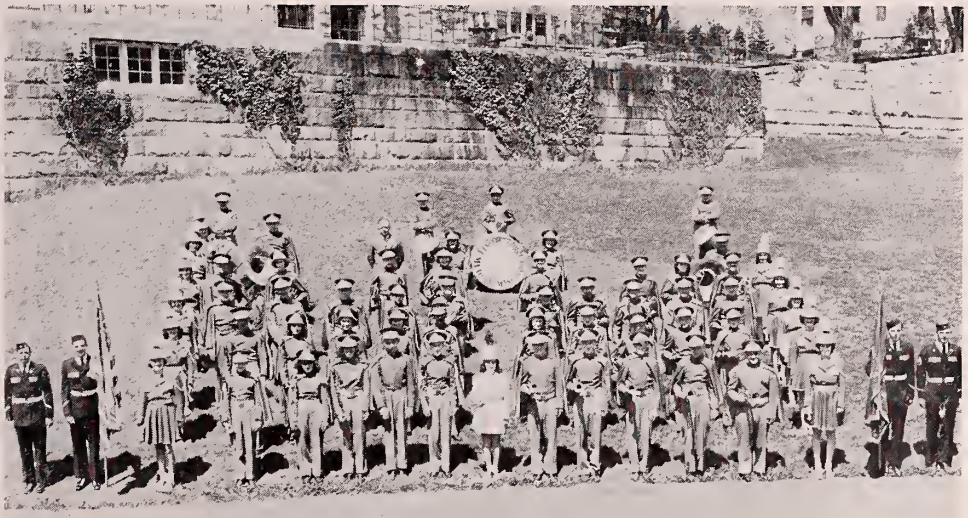
First Row: J. Johnson, J. Hogarth, B. Marggraf, B. Jukins, B. Buck, M. Young.

SENIOR CLASS PLAY

FOR the second consecutive year, Miss Moira Higgins directed our class play. She and an unusually large cast were responsible for the warm welcome with which the audience received "The Divine Flora," a three act comedy. The efforts of Randy Pryor and Buzz Rafferty to condition the unattractive Flora for popularity combined with the enthusiastic bobby-sox reception of bandleader Tex Arlen to form a hilarious plot. Audrey Connal as Flora scored a hit with her superb acting talent, and her appearance in a gaudy sarong drew long peals of laughter from the audience. Joyce Maguire as Sharon Pryor and Don Mulvanity as Randy Pryor made a winning brother-sister combination. Buzz, Randy's friend, played by Frederic Sjostrom did his share of scene-stealing. Patricia Tearno and Joseph Bradley convincingly acted the parts of Mr. and Mrs. Pryor. The crooning of Tex Arlen, played by John O'Sullivan, the boys' dripping bathing suits, and the untidy daughters of Mr. Dugan made "The Divine Flora" an unforgetable event of our senior year in high school.



THE M. H. S. BAND

IN recognition of our band's fine provision of music, the M.H.S. Boosters' Club has raised the means to equip the organization with new uniforms of smart blue jackets and light blue trousers. Much credit is due to Mr. Harold L. McDonnell, our capable band instructor, for the excellent reputation which the Methuen High School Band has attained by its stirring performances at football games and music conclaves.

CLASS DAY PAGEANT

ON Monday, June 6, 1949, the traditional Class Day Pageant of the Edward F. Searles High School was held. The spacious green lawn was a perfect setting for the colorful spectacle. The entrance of the King, Donald, Baxter, and the Queen, Norma Sharp, escorted by the court, all attired in royal robes, left a lasting impression in the hearts of the graduates of 1949. Music for this occasion was provided by the M. H. S. Band.

First Row: J. Lavin, B. Langille, E. Dearden, D. Quigley.
Second Row: G Desroches, C. Zing, B. Sholik, C. Erickson, J. Ward, M. Sanborn, M. Hill, V. Ganem, A. DeCola.

DRUM MAJORETTES

THESE pretty, peppy girls, ably captained by Joyce Ward, attracted many an eye while marching down the field at our football games. The girls were newly outfitted this year in blue and gold uniforms. They have worked hard to make the band dance a success and really should be complimented. The majorettes are— Seniors: Joyce Ward, capt., Barbara Langille, Barbara Sholik, Margaret Hill; Juniors: Jane Lavin, Dolores Quigley; Sophomores: Barbara Ganem, Ann DeCola, Elaine Dearden, Geraldine Deroschers, Mary-Jane Sanborn, Constance Zing, Carlene Erickson.

Back Row: M. Reilly, N. Leslie, N. Taylor, J. Hambleton, J. Verfaillie
Front Row: M. Wrigley, B. Buck.

THE CHEERLEADERS

WHATEVER the score, the cheer leaders worked hard to get the support of the student body in our songs and cheers. Their spirit and that of the crowd always backed up our team. The loyal rooters this year were— Seniors: Barbara Buck, Joan Verfaillie, Mary Wrigley; Juniors: Nancy Leslie, Nancy Taylor; Sophomores: Jean Hambleton, Margery Reilly.

First Row: S. Saba, J. Gill, J. Berwick, J. Bradley, capt.; D. Mulvanity, D. Baxter, R. Dalwet.
Second Row: R. Krauss, J. Holden, E. Doerr, W. Bourgeois, G. Fraas, G. Stuer, R. Kopacz.
Third Row: J. Bartolotta, G. Sherman, J. Smith, B. Reilly, R. Huston, L. Bradley, S. Pollina, F. Carnevale, D. Pirozek.
Fourth Row: R. Abbot, R. Prunier, A. Lowe, J. Sholik, J. Wagenbach, G. Chatis, R. Ball, J. Scannell, E. Yokley.
Fifth Row: A. Sczcapa, Ass't Coach; A. Simon, A. Hajjar, E. Goldberg, Mgr.; J. Doykos, W. Fife, J. Rhodes, J. Hannigan, Coach.

FOOTBALL

UNDER the able coaching and training of John Hannigan and Alex Sczapa, Methuen had a satisfactory football season, winning four games and losing five. The peak of the team's success was reached when Tewksbury bowed to a victorious Methuen eleven by a score of 46-0. Joe Bradley, captain of the team, deserves our congratulations for his leadership and teamwork. At the annual banquet, sponsored by the Boosters Club, Don Baxter, a tackle, was awarded the Andrew Haldane Trophy. Those who received letters for the season were: Capt. Joe Bradley, Don Baxter, Don Mulvanity, John Berwick, Stan Saba, Jimmy Gill, Seniors; Jim Holden, Bill Bourgeois, Gus Fraas, Gene Yokely, Robert Kopacz, Richard Krauss, Donald Pirozek, Sam Pollina, Alvin Simon, Guy Smith, George Stuer, Juniors; Ed Doerr, Dick Huston, Bernie Reilly, Larry Bradley and Al Lowe, Sophomores.

To Billy Bourgeois, who was elected captain for the coming year, we wish all the luck in the world for a successful season.

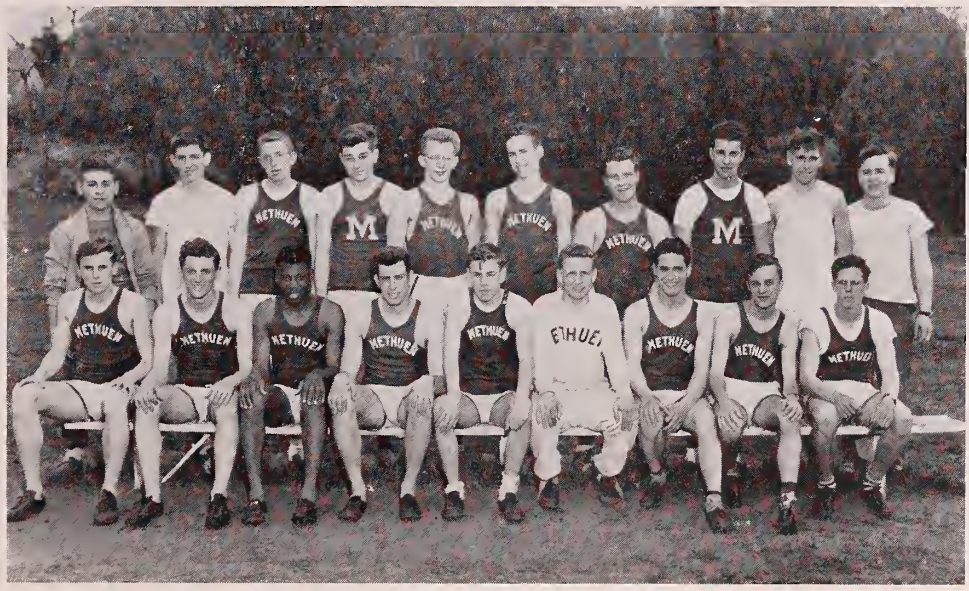
Third Row: J. Berwick, D. Pirozek, T. O'Neil, J. McDermott, A. Hajjar, E. Yokely, coach Rostron.

Second Row: R. Huston, J. Proctor, A. Shadlick, A. Nazarian, E Doerr, R. Krauss.

First Row: D. Gagnon, mgr.; R. Wrigley, A. Arleque, R. Smith, K. Bernard, W. Bourgeois.

BASEBALL

WITH a twelve-game schedule, this year's baseball team has worked exceedingly hard to present a program of good spirit and fine baseball. The sophomores and juniors turned out exceptionally well and the future looks very promising. This year's team was ably captained by Jack Berwick. Mr. Fred Rostron handled the coaching duties.



Seated: D. Kiley, M. Ohanian, G. Smith, D. Mulvanity, F. Sjostrom, J. Gill, capt.; P. DiLavore, W. Lumb, G. Sherman.

Standing: R. Goldberg, J. Fawcett, R. Dalwet, E. Neil, G. Fraas, R. Hill, M. Cegelis, R. Morrisette, L. Berry, F. Rhodes.

TRACK, 1949

UNDER the efficient coaching of John Hannigan and the splendid captainship of Jimmy Gill, the 1949 track team prepared itself for the coming spring meets. All the high school classes were very well represented, for a large number of enthusiastic candidates turned out. Hard work produced a track team that Methuen High School could well be proud of.

First Row: G. Chatis, A. Arleque, R. McAlea, W. Lumb, R. Winn, D. George.

Second Row: D. Kiley, R. Huston, W. Bourgeois, W. Bahan, Ty Douglas, capt.; D. Pirozek, G. Smith, R. Krauss.

Third Row: T. Deorio, J. Smith, J. Wagenbach, J. Abercrombie, J. Bartolotta, A Shadlick, T. O'Neil, R. Wrigley.

BOYS' BASKETBALL

QUETHUEN High School basketball team of 1919 won many hard fought battles. The boys, led by captain Tyler Douglas, took both wins and defeats as good sports and never went down without a fight. The team finished a successful season with 9 wins and 11 losses. Tyler Douglas deserves congratulations for obtaining a record number of 253 points throughout the season, and being awarded the trophy.

Standing: J. Johnson, mgr.; K. Karos, C. Dawson, C. Dawson, M. Archambault, J. Leach, J. Towne, J. Rotondo, B. Donovan, E. Hepworth, mgr.

Kneeling: J. Bryant, J. Hogarth, D. Wilkins, co-capt., M. Donovan, co-capt,; E. Pomphret, M. Wrigley.

GIRLS' BASKETBALL

THE 1949 girls' basketball team had a very successful season this year, winning six out of eight games. Dorothy Wilkins was the high scorer with 90 points. Eileen Pomphret was second with 76 points. The second team had an undefeated season—making the fourth straight year. We congratulate the girls' team and their coach, Miss Dorothy Chadwick, on their fine display of sportsmanship and their enviable record.

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